Easy does it with a motion sensor **LIGHT SWITCH**

It's no fun fumbling around for a light switch in a dark house. Equally inconvenient is walking into the laundry room with an armload of clothes and not having a free hand to reach the light switch. And then there's the age-old problem of simply forgetting to turn off the lights when leaving a space. Installing a motion sensor light switch is the easy and economical solution to these problems.

If installing one of these switches is on your fall to-do list, here are some things to keep in mind:

- Hardwired sensors can replace any single-pole wall switch.
- They are compatible with most light bulb types.
- Occupancy light switches automatically turn on/off when a person enters/exits the room. Vacancy light switches must be turned on manually, but shut off automatically when the room is unoccupied.

• Some models have settings for sensing fine movements and daylight. Some are compatible with smart technology.

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 Installation should be handled by a licensed professional.

Motion sensor switches are widely available in home improvement stores. Expect to pay \$10 to \$30 each, depending on the customizable features vou want.



Q: Can I install an outdoor security light at my house?

A: Whether your goal is adequate lighting to complete outdoor chores when days grow shorter or you simply want to upgrade protection for your home, an automatic security light installed by Walton EMC is the solution. One, low monthly fee covers installation and maintenance of an energy-efficient LED light that can illuminate a wide area.

A Walton EMC yard light can be installed at homes with either underground or overhead power lines. Each light is equipped with a sensor that tells the light to come on at dusk and go off at dawn. The light can be mounted on a new or existing pole.

Call a Walton EMC customer care representative at 770-267-2505 to discuss security light options and rates. Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.



This question answered by Ken Flovd Walton EMC Engineering Technician



IN GOOD COMPANY

As one of 40,000 member-owned businesses nationwide, Walton EMC is in very good company to celebrate National Cooperative Month.

We're one of 831 electric distribution co-ops serving 42 million Americans. But cooperatives do more than provide safe, reliable electricity. In fact, the co-op model is used by businesses in nearly every sector of our economy.











A FEW CO-OP CONNECTIONS YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT:

- · Some Georgians bank at credit unions or get loans from Farm Credit — both are co-ops.
- · If you insure property or vehicles with a mutual insurance company, you're doing business with a cooperative.
- Well-known food brands such as Sunkist. Ocean Spray, Welch's, SunMaid, Land O'Lakes, Florida's Natural, Borden, Blue Diamond and Sue Bee are owned by farmer cooperatives.
- Ace Hardware Corporation and True Value Hardware are retailer-owned co-ops.
- · IGA grocery stores buy their inventory from a cooperative food wholesaler.
- Outdoor gear retailer REI is the nation's largest consumer co-op.
- The Associated Press is a nonprofit news cooperative owned by its member newspapers.
- · Best Western is a cooperative hotel chain that provides pooled services such as a reservations system to independent hotel owner-members.

It's an honor to be among America's businesses that exist to serve the best interests of our members. Happy National Cooperative Month!

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Our subsidiaries supply natural gas and security services.



Dean Pannell & Denise Beacham

Ready. Set. Holidays!

Make plans now to join Dean Pannell and Denise Beacham in Watkinsville and Loganville for our Walton EMC 2022 Holiday Programs.

Pannell, a Georgia Master Florist, will focus on practical Christmas decorating ideas. You'll enjoy his interactive instruction style that's peppered with humorous stories and anecdotes.

Beacham will share her knowledge of creative gift giving and wrapping. Learn quick, easy and unique ways to take your gift giving to the next level.

FREE

EVENT

Nov. 15

Oconee Civic Center Watkinsville, 7 p.m.

Nov. 17

Walnut Grove High School Loganville (New Location), 7 p.m.

Bring in a new or gently used children's book for a chance to win one of Dean's beautiful wreaths.

Books will be donated to a local elementary school as part of our Operation Bookworm program.

Registration is not required

Power With Purpose

It all started in 1937 in a wooden farmhouse on Snows Mill Road in northeastern Walton County. A determined community living in darkness pulled together and, with a little help from the Rural Electrification Administration, a string on a bulb was tugged, and darkness turned to light.

Many things have changed in North Georgia in the intervening decades, but Walton EMC is still enriching the lives of those we serve.

What does that really mean to you? Here are a few thoughts:

WE'RE HERE TO STAY Since Walton EMC belongs to the consumers we serve - that's you! - we're not going to move out of the country or even across the state. Your cooperative is staying right where it is. We're steadfastly committed to providing safe, reliable, affordable and environmentally responsible energy to 136,000+ residential, business and industrial accounts.

WE KNOW YOU Our board of directors. who help set long-term priorities for the co-op, live locally on co-op lines. They are democratically elected to the position by neighbors like you. Walton EMC's employees live right here in the community, too.

WE'RE LOCALLY FOCUSED Being locally owned allows us to be highly responsive to those we serve. Whether it's a community solar program, prepaid electricity or keeping the electric grid safe and secure, we offer programs and services that make the most sense locally.

WE CARE ABOUT THIS COMMUNITY

Unlike investor-owned power companies, Walton EMC does more than just keep the lights on. We support the communities where co-op members live and work — with Operation Round Up, economic development initiatives, grants to local schools, scholarships and more.

Walton EMC and each of our customer-owners thrive when the cooperative way is an everyday business practice. We're proud to supply power with purpose.

October is National **Co-op Month**

Cooperative Principles



Adcock and West **Complete Professional Loss Control Program**

Brad Adcock (top, right), loss control director, and Ryan West (bottom, right), safety and training instructor, completed a two-year Certified Loss Control Professional Program (CLCP). A focus on loss control helps Walton EMC reduce insurance claims through safety and risk management.

The CLCP conducts the program in collaboration with the National Utility Training Safety Education Association and the University of Wisconsin School of Business.

Adcock and West learned about updates from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the Department of Transportation and the National Electric Safety Code. They were also tasked with creating a teachable safety program.

Managing loss control helps Walton EMC sustain a culture of safety and saves the co-op from expensive insurance claims.



