

COOL OFF QUICKLY WITH FANS

Fans, used alone or with air conditioning, help increase your personal air comfort. Some of the most common types of fans available at your favorite store are:

- Personal or clip fans. Small, compact units. Great for the workplace. Blade size: 4 to 7 inches.
- Desk or table fans. Good for home or office use. Be sure the fan is balanced on a flat surface. Blade sizes run 8 to 12 inches.
- Stand fans: Fan blades ranging in size from 12 to 19 inches deliver greater air movement. Good choice for large rooms. Easy to move around the house.
- Box fans: the stand 20-inch box fan is a perennial favorite.
- Window fans are an increasingly popular choice. Stylish twin units offering reversible air movement are best sellers.

Having a hard time choosing which fan is right for you? Consider some of the following fan features:

- Some units offer 90-degree oscillation which helps cool more people.
- Mesh grilles offer greater protection than traditional metal spokes in keeping objects away from moving fan blades. Good feature for families with small children.
- Convertible: some units can be converted from a stand to a table fan.
- Tilt heads: these units help increase the efficiency of air conditioning and also increase air movement in rooms with high ceilings or balconies.
- Timers: allow user to predetermine what time the unit should go off
- Remote control: great choice for people who love gadgets or for those who may have difficulty getting up to change the unit's setting.

Remember to read and follow the manufacturer's directions for operation and maintenance. Visit our "Who Makes What" section for more information about fans.