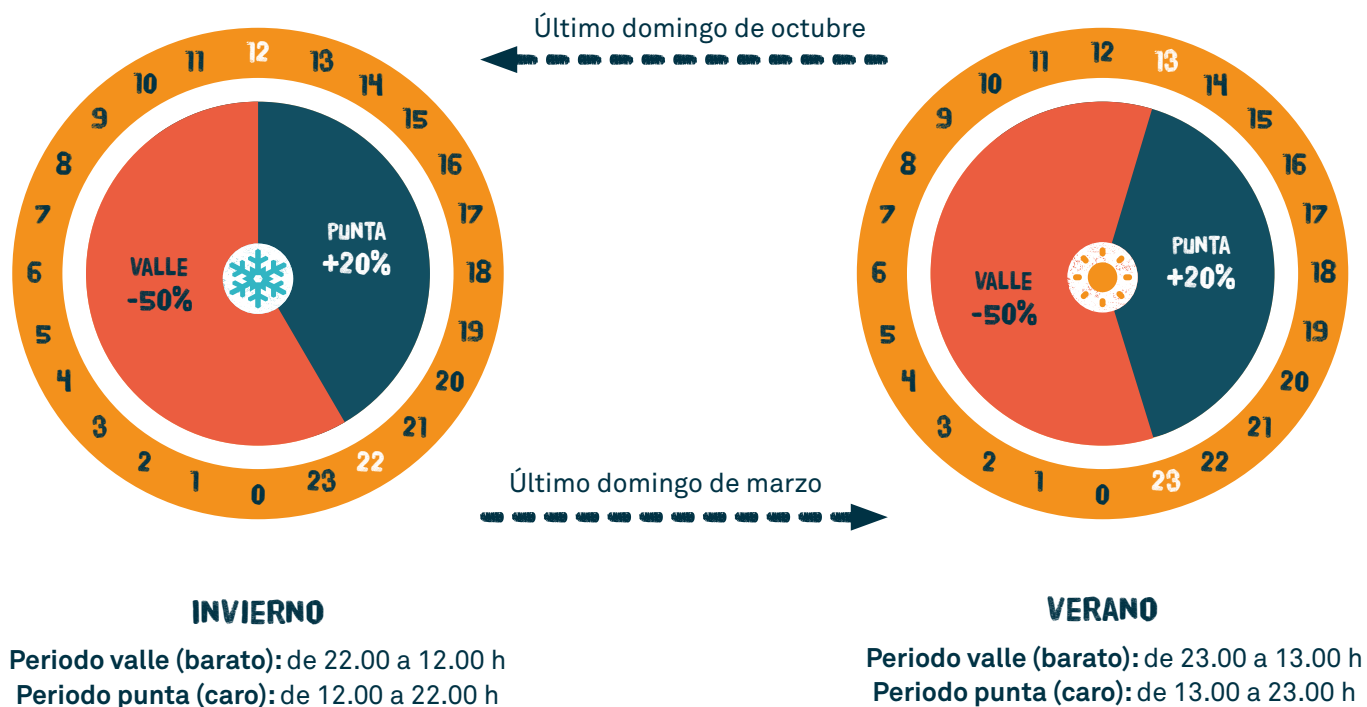


# WHAT IS TIME-BASED PRICING AND WHY IS IT CONVENIENT FOR ME?



## ¿Qué es?

This system charges different electricity rates at different times of day. The advantage is that electricity is 50% cheaper during off-peak times.



The times of day assigned to each price range vary in summer time and winter time from the moment the clocks change (the last Sunday in March and October, respectively).

If you consume all your electricity at off-peak times, you could save 50% on your bill with respect to prices for peak times. However, it's not really possible to consume all our electricity during this timeslot as we have some appliances that require electricity all day long like the refrigerator.

The best thing to do is to figure out which part of your energy consumption you should save for off-peak times. This will make a switch to time-based pricing worth it. Remember that the price per kilowatt per hour (kWh) during peak times is much more expensive than off-peak times.



**By consuming more electricity in off-peak times, you can save up to 25% on your bill.**



## How can I figure out if time-based pricing works for me?

The refrigerator makes up a large part of electricity consumption in the home and it is running day and night. If we had the house closed up and only the refrigerator plugged in, time-based pricing would be worth it.

In the day-to-day life of any home, the only change you need to make is to use the washing machine, dishwasher and clothes dryer (if you have these appliances) during off-peak times, i.e. at night from 10 pm to 1 pm or during the day until 12 pm or 1 pm (depending on whether it is winter time or summer time).

As for the rest of your appliances... life as usual!

## How can you make this change?

You only have to call your electricity company and request it: all companies have this offer. Changing the rate is free but to make the change effective, modifications must be made to the meter. According to Order ITC/3519/2009, this costs €9.04 plus VAT.

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