10 WAYS TO USE YOUR PORTABLE GENERATOR SAFELY



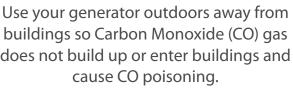
Portable generators can be used to operate equipment during power outages/power cuts. Use your generator in keeping with the manufacturer instructions and follow these safety tips to use your portable generator safely.

Purchase a generator that is rated for the amount of power you will need. If you cannot determine the amount of power you will need, ask a licensed electrician to assist you.



Store your generator indoors and pull it out when needed. This will protect the generator from bad weather and keep it secured while not being used. Never re-fuel your generator while it is running. Turn it off and let it cool before refueling. Store fuel in approved fuel containers where children cannot access them.





Teach children how to properly use and interact with generators

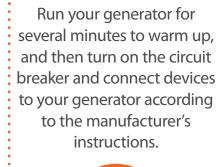
Keep a fire extinguisher that is rated for the types of fire hazards near your generator. Inspect the fire extinguisher annually and keep an up-to-date inspection tag fastened to each fire extinguisher showing the annual inspection was completed.

Never attach a generator directly to the electrical system

of a structure unless the generator has a properly

installed transfer switch. This reduces the risk of electrocution.

Before starting your generator, check the fuel, fluids, and air filter. Make sure the generator's circuit breaker is turned off and nothing is plugged into your generator.



Inspect your generator regularly. Include generator maintenance in your seasonal maintenance schedule.

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