

Portable Generator Safety

Storms. Electrical Failure. Animals. An unreliable power grid: Power outages can happen at any time and having a portable generator is a great way to keep you and your family protected. **Operate your portable generator safely during an outage with these tips from Generac:**

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NEVER OPERATE A PORTABLE GENERATOR INDOORS, IN HOMES, GARAGES, BASEMENTS, CRAWL SPACES OR OTHER ENCLOSED OR PARTIALLY ENCLOSED AREAS, EVEN WITH VENTILATION. ALWAYS USE GENERATORS OUTDOORS, MAINTAINING A SAFE DISTANCE AWAY FROM DOORS, WINDOWS AND VENTS.

FIRES ARE A DANGER WHEN YOU IMPROPERLY USE A GENERATOR POWER SOURCE OR DEAL WITH FUEL. MAKE SURE THE GENERATOR IS COOL WHEN HANDLING, FUEL IS STORED AWAY FROM LIVING SPACES IN PROPERLY LABELED CONTAINERS, AND THAT YOU ARE NOT BLOCKING EXHAUSTS AND INTAKES.

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ELECTRICAL HAZARDS CAN ALSO OCCUR IF YOU USE YOUR GENERATOR IMPROPERLY. NEVER PLUG THE GENERATOR INTO A WALL OUTLET TO BACKFEED EMERGENCY POWER TO YOUR HOME. KEEP THE GENERATOR DRY, ON A FLAT SURFACE AND USE HEAVY-DUTY OUTDOOR-RATED EXTENSION CORDS THAT ARE IN GOOD CONDITION.

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Always use generators outdoors, a safe distance away from doors, windows and vents.

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