

RISK MANAGEMENT

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PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFFS

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Planned Utility Power Outages Checklist for Homes:

Before the power outage:

- Ensure you have spare batteries on hand
- Charge cell phones and have an extra battery charger and car charger available
- Have bottled water on hand, enough for all individuals and pets
- Ensure your vehicle is fueled or fully charged.
- Ensure you have any medications available and if refrigeration is needed, keep them in the closed refrigerator during the outage or use a cooler with ice to keep cold.
- Unplug computers and appliances from electrical outlets
- Check that you have fuel for your emergency generator, refill tanks as needed.
- Download, print and backup important documents
- Have the keys for house with you and know how to manually override garage doors
- Have cash on hand for emergencies
- Leave at least one light on so you know when power is restored
- Charge necessary medical devices
- Sign up for utility notifications and alerts if available



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During the power outage:

- Use flashlights for lighting in the dark. DO NOT use candles!
- Limit travel during power outage and if you must go out, use caution as travel signals will likely not be operable
- Always run emergency generators outdoors and away from doors or windows. Never operate in a garage or indoors!
- Keep refrigerator/freezer closed to maintain cooling within – most refrigerators can maintain temp for up to 4 hours and freezers up to 48 hours.
- If needed use Wi-Fi hotspot on cell phone
- Avoid elevators – use stairs in case power glitches

Emergency Contact Information:

Resource	Emergency Contact Number	Website/Email Address
Police/Fire/Ambulance		
Hospital		
American Red Cross		
FEMA	800-621-3362	
Electric Company		
Gas Company		
Plumbing Company		
Other:		

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