

RESIDENTIAL NO POWER PLAN INFORMATION CHECKLIST

It is important to be prepared for an power outage (planned or unplanned).

We have created a useful checklist to help you prepare your No Power Plan.



COMMUNICATION

- Keep mobile phones charged and have a fully charged battery pack for device charging.
- Keep a transistor radio handy and store with spare batteries.

FOOD, WATER & HEAT

- If you have the option of using gas a BBQ/camping stove, consider storing spare fuel in case the unplanned outage is due to an event such as an earthquake, which could see power out for several days.
- In rural areas, when the power is off, your water pump might not work. To ensure you have adequate supplies, be prepared by storing emergency water supplies for drinking and washing.
- Store a sealed plastic box full of food that doesn't need to be cooked, (e.g. crackers, preserves, chocolate etc.).
- Depending on the time of year, keep blankets and sleeping bags handy in case you are left without a heat source.
- If you don't have access to water in a power outage, keep a bottle of hand sanitiser handy for bathroom and food handling needs.

LIGHTING

- Keep a torch/es and spare batteries in a place that's easy to access.
- Visit your local hardware store/camping and outdoor store for longer lasting candles. Store these, and a full box of matches in an easy to find place, especially its pitch black.
- If your power goes out at night, be prepared with battery-operated lighting.

PROTECTION

- To protect household electrical appliances, such as a computer or TV, consider using a surge protection device to protect the appliances from power interruption.
- If you have electric doors on your garage or live in an electronically gated area, check you know how to manually override it.
- If you have a house alarm, ensure you have a backup battery supply during an outage. Check with your house alarm provider for more information.
- Ensure you have enough mobile data for internet use (if applicable).
- Be prepared by keeping a First Aid Kit handy for everyday use and you'll also be prepared for a planned/unplanned outage event too!
- Consider if you need a generator. Ask a local registered electrician if you are not sure what size generator you need, who will assess and advise, dependent on your requirements.

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