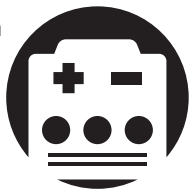


Never plug a generator into a wall outlet

Portable backup generators can be a vital part of your emergency preparedness plan during a power outage. However, improper use can be extremely dangerous.



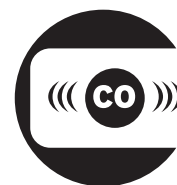
Don't plug your generator into a wall outlet. This practice, known as "backfeeding," can send electricity back through power lines, putting utility workers, neighbors and yourself at serious risk of electrocution.

Before using a generator

- **Read the manual thoroughly.** Follow all setup and safety instructions.
- **Operate outdoors only.** Generators produce deadly carbon monoxide, so keep them away from windows, doors and vents. Never run a generator inside your home or garage – even with ventilation.
- **Avoid overloading.** Plugging in too many devices to the generator can damage appliances and create fire hazards.

Used correctly, generators can keep you safe and comfortable during outages. Used incorrectly, they can be life-threatening. For more safety information, visit sdge.com/generators.

Stay safe this season: carbon monoxide and appliance safety tips



Carbon monoxide (CO) is an invisible danger; it's odorless, colorless and potentially deadly. But with a few simple steps, you can protect your home and loved ones.

Carbon monoxide safety

- **Install a battery-operated CO detector** in sleeping areas and near fuel-burning appliances.
- **Never use your oven to heat your home.** It's unsafe and can lead to CO buildup.
- **Always run portable generators outdoors**, far from windows and doors.

Appliance safety

- **Schedule a free SDG&E® gas appliance safety check.** Learn more at sdge.com/GasCheck.
- **Clean or replace your furnace filter** regularly to keep it running efficiently.

- **Have a fireplace?** Make sure your chimney flue is clean before lighting the first fire of the season.
- **Clear out dryer lint** to reduce fire risk and improve performance.

Outdoor electrical safety

- **Inspect extension cords** for frayed wires or exposed conductors before use.
- **Use weatherproof, GFCI-protected outlets** for all outdoor connections.
- **Keep cords elevated** to avoid contact with moisture.
- **Consider surge protectors** to shield sensitive electronics from power spikes.

A little prevention goes a long way. By staying on top of these safety tips, you're helping protect your home, your loved ones and your peace of mind – all season long.

Upgrade your home or business with energy-efficient appliances, solar + battery storage and more – with no upfront costs. Learn more at GoGreenFinancing.com.

Brighten the holidays with energy-smart LED lights

Holiday lights bring joy and sparkle to the season – and switching to LEDs is a simple way to celebrate more sustainably.

Why choose LED holiday lights?

- **Energy efficient:** Use up to 90% less energy than traditional incandescent bulbs
- **Long-lasting:** LEDs have a longer lifespan, so you can enjoy them year after year

- **Cool to the Touch:** They stay cooler, reducing the risk of fire and making them safer for homes with kids and pets
- **Durable and versatile:** Perfect for both indoor and outdoor decorating, even in winter weather

Energy-saving tip

Plug your LED lights into a timer or smart plug to automatically turn them on and

off. This helps cut down on unnecessary energy use – especially overnight – while keeping your home festive during peak hours.

This season, light up your home with holiday cheer and a little extra efficiency. Small changes like switching to LEDs can make a big difference!



Stay safe in stormy weather

When stormy weather is headed your way, be aware and be prepared for high winds and heavy rainfall. Don't touch downed power lines; call **911**. Get more safety tips at sdge.com/safety.

Energy-saving tips for the holidays



The holidays are a time for joy, and twinkling lights – but they can also lead to higher energy bills. With just a few simple changes, you can keep your home cozy, festive and energy efficient. Here are some easy tips to help you celebrate smartly and save more.

- 1. Choose LED candles and flameless decor:** Instead of traditional candles, opt for battery-operated LED versions. They're safer and use less energy, especially if they are rechargeable.
- 2. Keep oven doors closed:** Every time you open the oven, the temperature drops significantly, requiring more energy to reheat. Use the oven light and window to check on food instead.
- 3. Switch to smart power strips:** These automatically cut power on devices that go into standby mode, helping reduce phantom energy use from holiday electronics and decorations.
- 4. Use dimmer switches:** If your home has dimmable lights, lower the brightness to save energy and create a cozy holiday ambiance.
- 5. Decorate with mirrors and reflective surfaces:** Strategically placing mirrors or shiny ornaments may help amplify natural and artificial light, reducing the need for extra lighting.
- 6. Opt for solar-powered lights:** Consider using solar-powered outdoor lights for your decorations, as they charge during the day and illuminate your outdoor space at night without using electricity.
- 7. Energy-efficient decorations:** Choose energy-efficient decorations, such as fiber-optic trees, which use less electricity than traditional lit trees.
- 8. Cook efficiently:** Use appropriately-sized pots and pans, cover them with lids and match them to the correct burner size. These small adjustments help reduce cooking time and energy use during holiday meal prep.
- 9. Insulate windows and doors:** Make sure your home is properly insulated by sealing gaps around windows and doors to prevent heat loss.
- 10. Save energy while cooking:** For smaller dishes, try using a microwave, toaster oven or slow cooker. Small appliances use less energy than large ovens.

Actual savings obtained in each instance may vary and will depend on various factors, including geographic location, weather conditions, equipment installed, usage rates and so forth. Completing multiple energy-saving measures will not necessarily result in cumulative savings.

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Treated-wood utility poles

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En toda nuestra área de servicio se utilizan gas natural y postes de madera tratados para servicios públicos. De conformidad con la Proposición 65, se proporcionan las siguientes advertencias:

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