



WHEN THE POWER GOES OUT, KEEP YOUR GENERATOR OUTSIDE

Portable back-up generators produce the poison gas carbon monoxide (CO). CO is an odorless, colorless gas that kills without warning. It claims the lives of hundreds of people every year and makes thousands more ill. Follow these steps to keep your family safe.

PORTABLE GENERATORS

- ✓ Never use a generator inside your home or garage, even if doors and windows are open.
- ✓ Only use generators outside, more than 20 feet away from your home, doors, and windows.

CO DETECTORS

- ✓ Install battery-operated CO detectors near every sleeping area in your home.
- ✓ Check CO detectors regularly to be sure they are functioning properly.

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WHEN YOUR FURNACE KICKS ON, BE SURE POISON GAS ISN'T COMING OUT

Every winter when the temperature drops, your furnace can become a silent killer. Gas- and oil-burning furnaces produce carbon monoxide (CO). CO is an invisible, odorless, poison gas that kills hundreds every year and makes thousands more sick. Follow these steps to keep your family safe this winter.

OIL & GAS FURNACES

- ✓ Have your furnace inspected every year.

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