

# Power Outage Plan - Be Prepared!

**All downed power lines must be reported to 705-372-2815 or 705-372-2846 (after hours)**

**Have a power outage plan:** Being prepared will help you and your family stay safe in case of an emergency such as an extended power outage.

Your emergency kit should include:

- flashlights
- candles
- waterproof matches
- battery-operated radio
- spare batteries
- bottled water
- non-perishable food
- manually operated can and bottle opener
- first aid kit



## Important safety tips:

- Unplug electronic equipment such as computers and televisions
- Unplug tools or any other devices that may start and cause danger when power is restored
- Turn off any electric appliances, such as the stove, that were in use when the outage occurred
- Listen to the radio for the latest updates
- In winter time, keep a few water taps slightly open to prevent pipes from freezing
- Do not keep generators, propane heaters or BBQ indoors or in enclosed spaces such as garages, covered porches and sheds – they generate carbon monoxide gas, which can be fatal
- Do not leave candles unattended. Whenever possible, use a flashlight
- Do not use a gas stove as a source of heat
- Try to open your fridge or freezer as little as possible. A full freezer will keep food frozen for up to 48 hours as long as the doors stay closed. An unopened refrigerator will keep food cold for about four hours.

**No distributor can guarantee an uninterrupted power supply. Stormy weather, lightning, distribution system maintenance, defective equipment, foreign interference such as a downed tree, animals or a traffic collision can cause power outages day or night. As an added precaution, ensure all your smoke alarms have battery back-up (dual power) and will work during a power outage.**

If your home or business is affected by a power outage, call us at **(705) 372-2846**.

