



Power Disruption & Interruption Preparedness

Power interruptions or outages can occur for a number of reasons including but not limited to; severe and extreme weather conditions, large scale emergencies or disasters, fires, floods, and/or motor vehicle accidents. If you and/or a loved one have a medical dependency on electrical power, plan now to relocate to an area with power (family, friends, etc.), make arrangements for a generator that will satisfy your power demands.

Loss of Power

If there is no power in your neighborhood:

- Turn off and unplug appliances and computers.
- Leave one light on to indicate when power has been restored.
- Avoid using candles, as they can be a fire hazard.
- Do not use a gas stove for heating or operate generators indoors (including the garage.) Both could cause carbon monoxide poisoning.
- If a traffic signal is not working, treat it as a stop sign.
- See the food section to learn about food safety when your refrigerator's power is off.
- If electrical or other similar wires are laying in your yard or your neighborhood, stay away from them and report them immediately. Keep children from playing around downed wires, they may be energized.
- To notify Dominion Virginia Power of a power interruption/outage, call 888-667-3000.
- Do not tie up your pet in your home.

