EXTREME WEATHER AC WORKS® ENERGENCY POWER

WATTAGE IS AN IMPORT PART OF FACTORING YOUR EMERGENCY POWER BACKUP PLAN

What is a Watt?

Power is a measure of the rate at which energy flows, and in electrical systems, it is measured in watts (W).

Generators

Generators have different maximum wattages, it is possible for a generator to have a lower wattage output than the outlet it is rated for. You can still use this outlet, but it won't reach its maximum output. It will top out at the generators max output. We recommend getting a generator with a higher output than the outlet you want to use if you need to reach its full potential.

Transfer Switch and Inlets

Most commonly transfer switches are manual by switching your home's power to the grid or a back-up **generator**, with the flip of the switch. There is also an automatic transfer switch, which means just what it sounds like, it will automatically switch to generator power in the event of a power outage.

AC WORKS® Brand Adapters

If you already own a generator and are having a new transfer switch system installed, but they have different connections, you can still use them together with an AC WORKS[®] brand adapter.

Things to Know

The wattage into your inlet will be determined by the outlet in your generator. If the generator outlets capable wattage is less than the female side of the adapter, then the maximum operational wattage will be the same as the outlet you are using. The maximum wattage of the adapter is printed on the adapter itself and the generator max wattage can be found on the machine.

Plan Your Back-Up Need

Planning your home's back-up power necessity is easy. Decide what household items are desirable and which are necessary during an outage. Figure out the maximum wattage available to you with your setup or plan the wattage you will need prior to purchasing your back-up system. This will help ensure the lights are on, your food stays cold, and your house stays warm during an emergency outage. Turn this guide over to learn more about planning your backup system.

Watts (W) = Volts (V) X Current (A)



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MOST COMMONLY USED GENERATOR OUTLETS FOR **BACK-UP POWER SYSTEMS IN YOUR HOME**

NEMA 5-20R



NEMA L5-30R



NEMA TT-30R



NEMA L14-20R



NEMA L14-30R



NEMA 14-50R

PLANNING THE AVERAGE POWER NEEDED TO RUN TYPICAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS DURING AN OUTAGE

APPLIANCE/ELECTRONIC

AVERAGE WATTAGE

NEED HELP?

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