

Use of Temporary Generators



We sometimes use generators to supply electricity during emergencies, or when doing maintenance work. You won't notice a great difference but you may find the following information useful:

The speed of a generator can vary at times with its electrical loading and this affects the voltage and frequency. These small variations won't affect most things, but some clocks may gain time due to the frequency. They will return to normal when we remove the generator.

We connect them as close as possible to the local substation, however sometimes they have to be fairly close to homes when there's no suitable alternative. They come in many electrical and physical sizes and we closely match the right one to the needs. Some are quite large and fairly noisy.

If the generator is placed close to your home we will need access to the generator for refueling and to deal with any problems if they arise. If we do have to put the generator on your property we'd be grateful for your contact telephone number, if at all possible.

The demand for electricity varies during the day and may sometimes be greater than we calculate. Please try to use less power than usual by switching off appliances you don't really need.

Please be assured that your meter will not go faster. It will still accurately measure the electricity you use. We do everything possible to keep problems to a minimum and always disconnect generators as soon as possible.