

LOAD SHEDDING TIPS

- ① Keep your cell phone fully charged when the power is on. Remember you can use your car charger or power packs.



- ② Remember to switch off all appliances if it was on when the power outage started.



- ③ Keep frozen bottled water in your freezer to help keep food cold during a power outage.

- ④ Access, security and safety always remain a top priority - know where the manual release leaver of the electric garage or door opener is located and know how to operate it. Also keep a key to your house with you if you regularly use the garage as the primary means of entering your home, in case the garage door will not open.



- ⑤ Keep boiled water in thermos flasks for hot drinks during power outage.



- ⑥ Keep refrigerator and freezer doors closed at all times - a power outage of four hours should not cause food spoilage and a freezer should keep frozen and safe for at least a day.



- ⑦ Make use of surge protection: Electric surges are one of the biggest causes of damage to equipment during power outage. Installing a surge protection device can help minimize damage.



- ⑧ Never leave lit candles unattended and keep out of reach of children. Always extinguish candles before going to bed.



- ⑨ Invest in a small LP gas lamp for good quality lightning over a large area.

- ⑩ Invest in a small LP gas heating ring for essential cooking and to boil water for hot drinks - make sure you have an extra bottle of gas.



- ⑪ Prepare meals beforehand in case of a power outage.



- ⑫ Install solar powered security and garden lights



- ⑬ Keep a battery-powered torch or candles in a place where it will be easy to find in the dark - make sure you have an extra set of fresh batteries.



- ⑭ Keep a small torch on your bedside table at all times - make sure you have an extra set of fresh batteries.



- ⑮ Most medication that needs refrigeration can be kept in a closed fridge for several hours without spoiling - it is essential that you check with your doctor or pharmacist to be sure about your type of medication.



- ⑯ Back up your data: Make it a priority to save your data off-site, in case of a hard drive crash or unforeseen electrical fault. Online cloud-based backups are very convenient and are mostly automated, one less thing to worry about.

