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When the power goes out.

Quick reference for an ordinary outage. For immediate danger, move to safety and call 911.



PEOPLE FIRST

Account for everyone. Check official instructions. Follow evacuation or shelter directions.



ONE CLEAR UPDATE

Text your location, who is with you, and your next check in to the household contact.



KEEP THE COLD IN

Keep refrigerator and freezer doors closed. Write down when the power stopped.



SAFE LIGHT AND POWER

Use a flashlight. Fuel generators stay outside, 20+ feet from doors, windows, and vents.

CDC FOOD HOLDING TIMES / DOORS REMAIN CLOSED [3]

4 HOURS	48 HOURS	24 HOURS
Refrigerator	Full freezer	Half full freezer

Discard refrigerated perishables after four hours without power or a safe cold source. Never taste to test. Reassess shelter if temperature or medical needs cannot be met. See pages 5, 6, and 16.

POWER STOPPED / HOUSEHOLD CONTACT / NEXT CHECK IN

Sources: CDC food safety [3], generator safety [11], communication [6]; FEMA Ready.gov [9, 10].