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COOPERATIVE, INC.



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**PORTABLE GENERATOR  
SAFETY TIPS**

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# Connections

WREC MEMBER NEWSLETTER

## NOW IS THE TIME TO GET STARTED Protecting Your Home

In May 2020, WREC started a **Generac Generator Program** for our Members. Being in a hurricane prone state and with possible severe thunderstorms during the summer months, losing power is an unfortunate occurrence Members may face. Your Cooperative offers this stand-by generator program as an extra service to our Members to help keep the lights on during such circumstances. See below for essential information about this program. WREC encourages Members to consider adding one for their residence.

### Questions and Answers

**Q: Would this generator power my entire home?**

*A: Yes, the generator would be large enough to power a standard home.*

**Q: What is the cost?**

*A: The cost would be \$10,500 for the generator, a transfer switch, and a 10-year warranty (depending if the generator location is near the meter).*

**Q: Can I finance this unit?**

*A: Yes, based on a positive credit score. You can finance for 10 years for \$125.76 per month (this includes the \$25 maintenance fee).*

**Q: What would the finance terms be?**

*A: WREC would finance the generator up to 10 years at a 5% interest rate.*

**Q: Who would install my generator?**

*A: WREC employees or WREC approved contractors would install and maintain the generator.*

**Q: What is the cost to maintain my generator?**

*A: There would be a required \$25 per month fee which would include servicing the unit (oil changes, filter, etc.) and a new battery every 4 years.*

**Q: What is the generator warranty period?**

*A: 10 years parts, labor, and service would be performed by one of our factory trained generator technicians.*



### GENERATOR SPECIFICATIONS

Type: **Generac 22kW**

Fuel Source:

**Propane or Natural Gas**

Voltage: **120/240**

*(This is standard for an individual Member's home.)*

**Q: Would I need to have my own propane tank installed, and if so, what would be the cost?**

*A: Yes, each Member will be responsible for having their own propane service installed and cost will vary due to price fluctuations in propane, labor, and materials. WREC encourages each Member to quote several propane providers for the best service and price. The minimum size propane tank would be 250 gallons.*

**Q: How long will it take to get a generator installed after WREC has a signed contract?**

*A: Approximately 60 to 90 days.*

**Complete this form** and return it with your electric bill payment, mail to the address below, visit us on-line at: [wrec.net](http://wrec.net), drop off or call your local WREC office listed on the back of this newsletter to be included in this survey.

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**Yes, I am interested in the WREC Stand-by Generator Program!**

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Customer Number: \_\_\_\_\_



# PORTABLE GENERATOR SAFETY TIPS

Portable generators are internal combustion engines used to generate electricity. They are useful when temporary or remote power is necessary and are most commonly used during cleanup or recovery efforts following disasters such as hurricanes or tornadoes.

## Safety Tips:

1. Never attach a generator directly to an electrical system of a structure unless it was properly installed by a qualified electrician and has an operable transfer switch.
2. Make sure the generator is properly grounded and that all connections are clean, dry, and secure.
3. Keep the generator dry; do not use it in the rain or wet conditions. Do not use electrical equipment that has been submerged in water.
4. To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, never use the generator indoors or in enclosed spaces such as garages, basements, or crawl spaces. When using outdoors keep away from doors, windows, and vents that **could allow carbon monoxide (CO) and other gases to enter and build up in occupied spaces.**
5. Before refueling, shut down the generator and let it cool. Do not store fuel in your home. Keep fuel away from living areas, flame producing and heat generating devices such as; generators, gas water heaters, cigarettes, lighters, and matches.

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