

## USING A GENERATOR – SAFETY COUNTS

- Always use your generator outdoors on a level, dry and well ventilated area away from windows, doors, and vents. Under no circumstances should you use it indoors, including the garage, basement, or a crawlspace.



- Always use heavy duties grounded ( three-prong) outdoor extension cords. Do not connect a portable generator to the house wiring.



- Always use a licensed electrical contractor to install a permanent generator and a transfer switch.



- Always be aware that the use of a portable generator can be dangerous due to carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide is colorless and odorless. If you feel Sick, dizzy, or weak while a generator is working, immediately seek fresh air. Move the generator to a well ventilated area away from windows, doors, or any openings to the home.

- Do not keep gasoline or other combustible fuels in the house or any place near a fuel-burning appliance or where it may come in contact with an electrical spark.



- Always use less watts than the generator's stated total maximum power output. Add up the power requirements in watts of all appliances, lights, and electrical devices to be connected to the generator.

- Before refueling, always turn off the appliances and then turn off the generator to let it cool off. Gasoline spillage on a hot generator could catch fire. Keep a fire extinguisher close at hand.



- Always be careful of touching a generator when it is running to prevent injury, including burns and electrocution.

