

Unplanned Power Outages

Most power outages will be over almost as soon as they begin, but some can last much longer - up to days or even weeks. Power outages are often caused by freezing rain, sleet storms and/or high winds which damage power lines and equipment. Cold snaps or heat waves can also overload the electric power system.

During a power outage, you may be left without heating/air conditioning, lighting, hot water, or even running water. If you only have a cordless phone, you will also be left without phone service. If you do not have a battery-powered or crank radio, you may have no way of monitoring news broadcasts. In other words, you could be facing major challenges.

You can greatly lessen the impact of a power outage by taking the time to prepare in advance. You and your family should be prepared to cope on your own during a power outage for at least 72 hours.

Emergency Preparedness

Are you and your family prepared for a power outage?

Winter is among us and is unpredictable. Be 72 hours prepared.



Check out some of the AFREA links to help prepare your family

[http://www.afrea.ab.ca/filesaf/afrea/power-outages-what-to-do-eng\[1\]_0.pdf](http://www.afrea.ab.ca/filesaf/afrea/power-outages-what-to-do-eng[1]_0.pdf)

<http://www.afrea.ab.ca/filesaf/afrea/72hrEMPreparedness.pdf>

[http://www.afrea.ab.ca/filesaf/afrea/2005_person_family_check\[1\].pdf](http://www.afrea.ab.ca/filesaf/afrea/2005_person_family_check[1].pdf)

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