

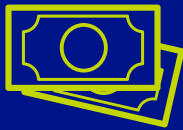
Eskom's load-shedding Tips

Be prepared!!!



COMMUNICATION: To enable communication with friends and family during load-shedding ensure that your cell phone, laptop, tablet and radio are always fully charged when power is available.

TRANSPORT: Make sure that your vehicle always has fuel in the tank as some petrol stations are unable to pump fuel during power outages.



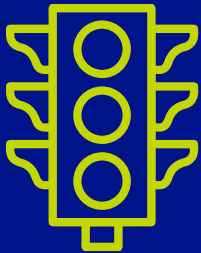
CASH: Keep some cash on you as some ATMs cannot operate without electricity.

SECURITY AND SAFETY: Backup batteries for electric gates, garage doors and security systems should be kept in a good working condition. Store temporary lighting (battery-powered torches, gas lamps and candles) in places where they will be easy to find in the dark.



EATING: If you do not have a gas stove, prepare meals before the power is scheduled to be switched off. Boil water in your kettle and keep it in Thermos flasks. Use an insulating cover on teapots, pots and pans to keep drinks and meals warm.

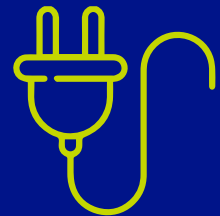
MEDICATION: Most medication requiring refrigeration can be kept in a closed fridge for several hours without spoiling, but you should check with your doctor or pharmacist if in doubt.



TRAFFIC LIGHTS: Intersections with traffic lights that are not working because of load-shedding should be treated as four-way-stops. Please stay calm and follow defensive driving techniques.

AVOID POWER SURGES AND NUISANCE

TRIPPING: Switch off appliances, geysers, pool pumps, air conditioners, lights and other electrical equipment before load-shedding to reduce the risk of damage caused when the power comes back on.



BE ENERGY-WISE

- Switch off those appliances that you don't need
- Turn down geyser temperature to 60° degrees Celsius
- Delay switching on lights and appliances until after the peak periods (between 17:00 and 21:00) whenever possible
- Adjust air conditioners to 23 degrees Celsius if you need to use them

