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**"Your Home and Your Health"** [www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/co/maho/yohoyohe/index.cfm](http://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/co/maho/yohoyohe/index.cfm)

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**"What You Need to Know about Carbon Monoxide Detectors"**

[www.chemistry.about.com/library/weekly/aa092202a.htm](http://www.chemistry.about.com/library/weekly/aa092202a.htm) [EXIT Disclaimer](#) About.com

**Disposing of Smoke Detectors** - [www.epa.gov/radiation/sources/smoke\\_dispose.html](http://www.epa.gov/radiation/sources/smoke_dispose.html) - EPA's Radiation Protection Division

**U.S. Coast Guard Boating Safety Carbon Monoxide Warning**

[www.uscgboating.org/alerts/alertsview.aspx?id=8](http://www.uscgboating.org/alerts/alertsview.aspx?id=8) [EXIT Disclaimer](#)

## Portable Generators

1. The **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention** -Safety Alert.

Portable generators are useful when temporary or remote electric power is needed, but they also can be hazardous. The primary hazards to avoid when using a generator are carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning from the toxic engine exhaust, electric shock or electrocution, and fire.

- \* Link to HTML version - [www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/portgen.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/portgen.html)

2. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Fire Administration's **Portable Generator Hazards** page - [www.usfa.fema.gov/safety/co/generator.shtm](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/safety/co/generator.shtm)
3. **Surviving the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina CPSC Warns of Deadly Post-Storm Dangers with Portable Generators, Candles and Wet Appliances**, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Office of Information and Public Affairs, Washington, DC, August 31, 2005, Release #05-251

- \* Link to HTML version - [www.cpsc.gov/CPSCPUB/PREREL/prhtml05/05251.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/CPSCPUB/PREREL/prhtml05/05251.html)
- \* General CPSC publications list related to Home Heating Equipment - [www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/heatpubs.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/heatpubs.html)

4. **ALERT!! Preventing Carbon Monoxide Poisoning from Small Gasoline-Powered Engines and Tools. (1996)**

This joint alert from NIOSH, CDPHE, CPSC, OSHA and EPA warns that people using gasoline-powered tools such as high-pressure washers, concrete cutting saws (walk-behind/hand-held), power trowels, floor buffers, welders, pumps, compressors, and generators in buildings or semi-enclosed spaces have been poisoned by Carbon Monoxide. Recommendations for preventing CO poisoning are provided for employers, equipment users, tool rental agencies, and tool manufacturers.

Single copies of the Alert [DHHS (NIOSH) Publication No. 96-118] are available for free from: **Publication Dissemination, IED, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health**; 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, OH 45226

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