



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
BUILDING DIVISION

BUILDING CODE POLICY

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6/17/2013	Temporary Portable Generators	ADMIN 13

The purpose of this policy is to regulate the use of temporary generators by establishing standards to limit community impacts.

Hand operated construction tools powered by electricity must use power provided by Southern California Edison through a temporary pole or available outlet. In the rare case where electricity is not readily available and a portable temporary generator is necessary, then the following restrictions must be adhered to:

1. Must be portable and may be easily relocated.
2. Temporary generators are to be located a minimum distance from any property line according to the following table:

Time in Use Hours	Required Setback from Property Line	Required Setback from Adjacent Structures
0 – 1 day	10 feet	5 feet
> 1 day	20 feet	5 feet

3. If the minimum distance cannot be achieved, then the generator shall be located the most extreme distance practical to inhibit noise. Other methods to inhibit noise may be utilized when practical.
4. May be operational for a maximum of five consecutive calendar days.
5. After **five** consecutive calendar days of use, power shall be provided through the use of a temporary power pole.
6. Usage is limited to weekdays between the hours from 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM Monday through Friday. No use on the weekends or Federal holidays.

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