

PSPS: A timeline

If extreme weather conditions warrant a PSPS, these five stages help you understand what to expect.

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I'm preparing
for a possible power
outage all year round

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**I've been
given notice**
that my power
may be turned off

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**I've had my power
turned off**
to help ensure my safety
and that of my community

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**I'm waiting for my
power to come back**
once PGE is able to inspect
lines and repair any damage

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**I'm glad my power
is back on**
and I'm continuing to refine my
preparation plans for next time

Stay informed

Our customer service advisors can assist you in more than 200 languages.

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以您母語提供的資訊

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情報を見る

사용자 언어로 정보 확인

Tuáñr zuban ot mazé maaluma

Informații în limba dvs.

Информация на вашем языке

Macluumaad Kuqoran Luuqadaada

Información en su idioma

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Visit portlandgeneral.com/publicsafety
to learn more or call us at **503-228-6322**
for the latest updates.



It's wildfire season.

Are you prepared?

Preparing for a power outage is a good idea
all year round. We're preparing,
and we encourage you to do the same.



What is a Public Safety Power Shutoff?

If extreme weather conditions threaten our ability to safely operate the electrical grid, we may turn off power. This safety measure is called a Public Safety Power Shutoff, or PSPS.

We consider many factors when we're deciding whether a PSPS is necessary, including:



High winds



Low humidity levels



Dry vegetation



Real-time observations from the field



Temperature



Red Flag Warning



Collaboration with local, state and regional agencies

Because Public Safety Power Shutoffs can last multiple days, it's important that we're all prepared and you have an emergency plan in place.

How we prepare for wildfires year-round

We take extra precautions to protect people, property and natural environments. Every year, we look at our service areas and assess the need for enhanced tree and brush clearing. We modify or replace equipment where needed to increase fire resistance and reduce the risk of an ignition.

Here's what you can expect

If we need to activate a PSPS, we work to minimize the number of people impacted and the length of time without power.

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Before, during and after a PSPS, we'll provide information and updates about what's happening in many ways. Be sure to update your contact information on the web or in the PGE app so we can stay in communication with you.

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITIES

During a PSPS, we'll set up our Community Resource Centers to provide information, water, ice, charging for electronic devices and Wi-Fi access.

RESTORING YOUR POWER SAFELY

When it's safe to do so, our crews visually inspect our lines and equipment mile-by-mile for damage and make necessary repairs, working as quickly as safety allows to restore power. Take a look at our graphic on the back to see what steps we take to get your power back on safely.

You can find more at

portlandgeneral.com/publicsafety

Steps you should take to prepare

Depending on weather conditions and other factors, a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) could last multiple days. We recommend storing all your preparedness items in waterproof and rodent-proof containers and replenishing things, as needed, at least once a year.

1 STAY IN THE KNOW

Update your contact information with us so we can keep you informed.



2 CREATE AN OUTAGE KIT

Make sure everyone in your home knows where to find it.



Some basic items to include:

- Emergency phone numbers, including PGE Customer Service: 503-228-6322. **Our customer service advisors can assist you in 200+ languages.**
- Flashlights or headlamps
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio
- Extra batteries (especially for oxygen tanks or other medical equipment)
- Electronic device chargers, including a car charger
- Water, one gallon per person per day, especially if you rely on an electric pump for water
- Frozen cold packs or water bags/bottles to keep food and medicine cold until you can get ice
- Nonperishable food and a can opener, pots, pans and utensils
- Portable cooler
- Board games, books and playing cards
- Outdoor barbecue, gas grill or camp stove, plus fuel and a lighter or matches

3 MAKE A PLAN

Keep your family and your home safe during an outage.



- Plan ahead to relocate with a friend, family member or to a shelter, especially if you have a medical condition that requires electricity or if you'll need to work or learn from home during an outage.
- Plan for medical needs so you can still power medical equipment during an outage and consider enrolling in our Medical Certificate program. This will help us proactively communicate with you about outages. Visit portlandgeneral.com/medical or call 503-612-3838 to learn more about the program.
- Consider buying a backup generator and follow manufacturers' guidelines for its safe operation.
- Plan for feeding and watering pets or livestock if you rely on an electric pump for water.
- Get more information from your county's website or the **National Fire Protection Association**, the **Red Cross** and **Ready.gov**.

HELP YOUR DEVICE BATTERY LAST:

- Don't turn it off — your tablet or phone uses more battery when being turned off and on, so use sleep mode instead.
- Manually disable Bluetooth and notifications you don't need (leave emergency notifications on).
- Turn Wi-Fi off when not needed.
- Turn the brightness of the display down as low as possible.
- Close apps when you're done using them.

Find additional preparation tips at portlandgeneral.com/prepnow