# SAFETY TIPS — for — PORTABLE GENERATORS



## **NEVER USE INDOORS**



Do not run a generator indoors or in a partially enclosed space like a garage.

#### 2 DO NOT USE STANDARD OUTLET



The generator should not connect directly to your home's wiring without first installing a transfer switch.

### **USE OUTDOOR RATED CORDS**



Never use a worn-out cord or one that does not have a three-pronged plug.

#### **MAKE SURE IT IS GROUNDED**



Use a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) to help prevent shocks and electrocutions.

### **USE A CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM**



Install a battery or smart carbon monoxide (CO) alarm device inside your home.

#### **POSITION AWAY FROM WINDOWS**



To prevent CO from entering your home, place your generator at least 20 feet from doors. windows and vents.

# CARBON MONOXIDE CAN KILL IN AS LITTLE AS 5 MINUTES **KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS OF CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING**



**Fainting** 



Shortness of Breath



Nausea



Confusion Dizziness



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