

Load shedding checklist Prepare yourself by doing the following



Keep your cell phone fully charged

when the power is on. If your cellphone battery is low, remember that you can use your car charger in your car.

Invest in a small LP gas lamp for good quality lighting over a large area.

Prepare meals beforehand

in case of a power outage.



Load shedding may result in alarm systems not operating properly therefore **check**

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should you have a break in while the alarm is not powered.

Remember to switch off your oven if it was on when the power outage started.



Keep boiled water in thermos flasks for hot drinks during a power outage.

Invest in a small LP gas heating ring for essential cooking and to boil water for hot drinks - make sure you have an extra bottle of gas.



Make use of surge protection: Electric surges are one of the biggest causes of damage to equipment during a power outage. Installing a surge protection device

can help minimise damage. Have a surge protection device fitted to your electrical distribution board.

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> For more info go to: www.eskom.co.za

Кеер frozen bottled water in your freezer to help **keep** food cold during a power outage.

Keep a batterypowered torch or candles in a place where it will be easy to find in the dark - make sure you have an extra set of fresh batteries.

Keep a **small torch** on your bedside table at all times - make sure you have an

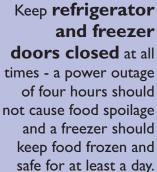
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remain a top priority -Know where the manual release lever of your electric garage door opener is located and how to operate it.



Also keep a key to your

house with you if you regularly use the garage as the primary means of entering your home, in case the garage door will not open.

Most medication that needs refrigeration

can be kept in a closed fridge for several hours without spoiling - it is essential that you check with your doctor or pharmacist to be sure about your type



Back up your data:

of medication.

Make it a priority to save your data offsite, in case of a hard drive crash or unforeseen electrical fault. Online "cloud-based" backups are very convenient and are mostly automated, which means that you have one less thing to worry about.