

# SAFETY FIRST

## SAFE GENERATOR OPERATION

*Keep this card with your household emergency kit or with your standby generator.*



- ✓ Never connect a standby generator into your home's electrical system. There are only two safe ways to connect a standby generator to your equipment:
  - 1) **STATIONARY GENERATOR** – An approved generator transfer switch, which keeps your house circuits separate from the utility, should have been installed by a professional.
  - 2) **PORTABLE GENERATOR** – Plug your appliances directly into the outlet provided on the generator.
- ✓ Set up and run your generator in a well-ventilated area outside the home—out and away from your garage—away from doors, windows, and vents into your home. The carbon monoxide the generator produces is DEADLY.
- ✓ Start the generator first—BEFORE connecting appliances.
- ✓ Use a heavy-duty extension cord to connect electric appliances to the outlet on the generator.