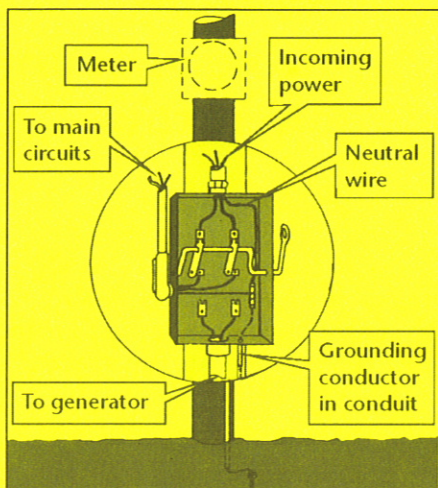


A transfer switch is your generator's best friend

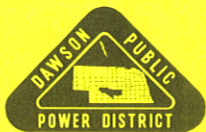


If you have a generator, Dawson Public Power District encourages you to invest in a transfer or double-throw switch. The switch makes it easier to connect your generator safely.

With a transfer switch...

- There's no need to remove the electric meter or hire an electrician to re-install it.
- There's no risk of sending power back out on the lines, posing a deadly hazard to line-men working to restore power.

Contact your electrician to buy a transfer switch and have it professionally installed.



What you need to know about generators...

- Check THD or total harmonic distortion in the owner's manual -- if the THD is over 6%, it may reduce the life of electric circuits, cause microprocessor malfunctions and cause furnace controllers to operate incorrectly.
- Never attempt to plug the generator directly into your home's circuits or wiring. Have a double-throw switch installed.
- Use heavy duty extension cords from the generator.
- Never run a generator indoors and make sure there is proper ventilation around the unit.
- Don't overload the generator.
- Always have a fully charged, approved fire extinguisher near the generator.
- If your gasoline powered generator will not be used for an extended amount of time, add a fuel stabilizer to the tank.