Home Generator Requirements

Due to storms and other circumstances that cause long periods of power outages many residents are contracting to have stand-by electrical generators installed. Please be advised of the following when installing a generator within the Town of Colden.

The following information is intended to assist the homeowner of the Town of Colden in having a generator installed in a safe and ordinance complaint manner.

1. A PERMIT IS REQUIRED

2. PROPOSED LOCATION

- * A copy of survey or a drawing of surrounding structures and property lines and proposed location must be approved
- * Must comply with NYS building Codes
- * Must comply with NFPA 37
- * Must comply with manufactures installation instructions.

3. DOCUMENTATION

- *Copy of Manufactures installation instructions must be submitted for permit approval.
- * A copy of survey or a drawing of surrounding structures and property lines and proposed location must be provided.

Please consider the following when determining generator placement:

- * Must have at least 5' clearance to any combustible materials (NFPA 37)
- * No exhaust gases are collecting or entering adjacent occupied structures.
- * Attention to wind and air currents and distances to building openings.
- * Unit must be level and not placed where water can accumulate.
- * Must not block or limit access to other utility equipment.

4. INSPECTION REQUIRED

* Once unit is installed an inspection must be completed by an approved electrical inspection agency and the Town of Colden Code Enforcement Office. A Certificate of Compliance will then be issued by the Town of Colden.