Generator Safety Checklist

A generator safety checklist for farm owners and workers to review placement, fueling, grounding, connections, and carbon monoxide risks before running backup power.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

ITEM	OK	FIX	N/A
Operator's manual read	☐	☐	☐
Placed outdoors away from openings	☐	☐	☐
Carbon monoxide alarms working	☐	☐	☐
Fuel stored safely	☐	☐	☐
Engine off before refueling	☐	☐	☐
Grounded per the manual	☐	☐	☐
Transfer switch used	☐	☐	☐
No backfeeding to lines	☐	☐	☐
Cords rated and undamaged	☐	☐	☐
Regular test run	☐	☐	☐

NOTES / REPAIRS NEEDED

TIP Never run a generator inside a barn, shop, or garage, and use a licensed electrician to install a transfer switch.

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