



## **Letter of Notice: Generators**

Dear Residents

With the recent and ongoing Eskom load shedding due to the electricity crisis in the Country, many requests have been received from residents enquiring whether generators are permitted on their properties in The Hills.

The HOA agrees that residents may install and use generators on their properties with the following Conditions:

1. Only generators with change-over switches are allowed and not embedded generators other than solar installations.
2. The application form as attached to this letter must be completed for all generator installations.
3. A generator may be installed that will create no more noise than a pool pump (a pool pump, although not really quiet, is something that most people can relate to). A general purpose residential pool pump noise level is 55 to 60 dbs. This noise level is measured at a distance of 7m from the pool pump. 60 Decibels will be the upper limit of what will be allowed. A certificate of compliance containing installed generator's dB readings issued by a certified generator installer must be handed in to HOA.
4. No portable generators are permitted unless these are of the silent type and adhere to these rules and dB reading certificate for the generator is handed in to HOA.
5. Any electrical alteration to an existing distribution board for generator installation must be inspected by RNM. Cost for electrical connection for each inspection at a premises will be R485.51. Attached inspection request form must be completed and forwarded together with POP.
6. All generators installed must be concealed and not visible from the common property.
7. A homeowner must supply a proposal as to how the generator will be soundproofed and give a commitment that the proposed noise level will be adhered to.
8. All generators installed must be correctly installed by a qualified installer who must issue a Supplement certificate of compliance to existing certificate of compliance to certify that it has been installed correctly.
9. Exhaust emissions must not affect neighbours or common property.
10. The operating hours permitted is 06h00 to 22h00.
11. Manual operation will be possible but if installed on automatic changeover then a timer must be installed to prevent inconveniencing neighbours outside of operating hours.

### **The Hills Home Owners Association**

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12. Be aware of the dangers regarding the installation of a generator where there is already a solar photo-voltaic system installed or a backup / inverter / off-grid system installed and ensure that all equipment is installed and isolated correctly.
13. Should HOA receive complaints that any owner does not comply with above rules and regulations a fine of R5000.00 will be imposed on the perpetrator each time the generator is started.

The Hills HOA

**Name & Surname:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_