

# Generator Sizing Guide



#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

This booklet is designed to familiarize estimators and installers with proper sizing guidelines for residential and commercial generators. The information is not comprehensive, nor does it replace or supercede any material contained in any of the written documents shipped with the equipment. This booklet should only be used in conjunction with the Owner's Manual, Installation Manual and other technical documents shipped with each product. Always read all accompanying documentation carefully before attempting to install any generator, transfer switch or related equipment.

#### **HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET:**

Within this booklet, you will find electrical load information, plus an outline of generator surge capability, fuel pipe sizing, liquid propane tank sizing, and UPS / generator compatibility. The worksheet pages can be removed from the book and photocopied to create additional Onsite Estimating Sheets for use with individual jobs.

#### **SAFETY INFORMATION:**

Proper sizing of the generator is crucial to the success of any installation and requires a good working knowledge of electricity and its characteristics, as well as the varying requirements of the electrical equipment comprising the load. When analyzing the electrical load, consult the manufacturer's nameplate on each major appliance or piece of equipment to determine its starting and running requirements in terms of watts, amps and voltage. When choosing the generator output for commercial or industrial applications, select a rating that is approximately 20 to 25% higher than the peak load (for example, if the load is about 40 kilowatts, select a 50 kW genset). A higher rated generator will operate comfortably at approximately 80% of its full capacity and will provide a margin of flexibility if the load increases in the future.

For safety reasons, Generac recommends that the backup power system be installed, serviced and repaired by a Generac Authorized Service Dealer or a competent, qualified electrician or installation technician who is familiar with applicable codes, standards and regulations.

It is essential to comply with all regulations established by the Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) and strict adherence to all local, state and national codes is mandatory. Before selecting a generator, check for municipal ordinances that may dictate requirements regarding placement of the unit (setback from building and/or lot line), electrical wiring, gas piping, fuel storage (for liquid propane or diesel tanks), sound and exhaust emissions.

If you have a technical question regarding sizing or installation, contact Generac's Technical Service Center toll free at 888-GENERAC during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST).



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## TABLE 1 MOTOR LOAD REFERENCE

Caution:

**DO NOT** size the generator based on starting kW alone.

**YOU MUST** compare LR Amps to generator surge capability (table #3). **SIZE** the generator by following the sizing instructions.

## AC & Heat Pumps Running Load Starting Load

Description	Нр	Running kW	Amps @ 240V 1Ø	Amps @ 208V 3Ø	Amps @ 240V 3Ø	Amps @ 480V 3Ø	LR Amps @ 240V 1Ø	LR Amps @ 208V 3Ø	LR Amps @ 240V 3Ø	LR Amps @ 480V 3Ø
1 Ton (12,000 BTU)	1	1	5	3	3	1	33	22	19	10
2 Ton (24,000 BTU)	2	2	10	7	6	3	67	44	38	19
3 Ton (36,000 BTU)	3	3	15	10	8	4	100	67	58	29
4 Ton (48,000 BTU)	4	4	20	13	11	6	117	78	67	34
5 Ton (60,000 BTU)	5	5	25	16	14	7	145	97	84	42
7.5 Ton (85,000 BTU)	7.5	7.5	37	24	21	11	219	146	126	63
10 Ton* (120,000 BTU)	5 Hp (x2)	10	49	33	28	14	145	97	84	42
10 Ton (120,000 BTU)	10 Hp	10	49	33	28	14	250	167	144	72
15 Ton* (180,000 BTU)	7.5 Hp (x2)	15	74	49	42	21	219	146	126	63
15 Ton (180,000 BTU)	15 Hp	15	74	49	42	21	375	250	217	108
20 Ton* (240,000 BTU)	10 Hp (x2)	20	98	65	57	28	250	167	144	72
20 Ton (240,000 BTU)	20 Hp	20	n/a	65	57	28	500	333	289	144
25 Ton (300,000 BTU)	25	25	n/a	82	71	35	625	416	361	180
30 Ton* (360,000 BTU)	15 Hp (x2)	30	n/a	98	85	42	375	250	217	108
30 Ton (360,000 BTU)	30 Hp	30	n/a	98	85	42	750	500	433	217
40 Ton* (480,000 BTU)	20 Hp (x2)	40	n/a	131	113	57	500	333	289	144
40 Ton (480,000 BTU)	40 Hp	40	n/a	131	113	57	1000	666	577	289
50 Ton* (480,000 BTU)	25 Hp (x2)	50	n/a	163	142	71	625	416	361	180
50 Ton (480,000 BTU)	50 Hp	50	n/a	163	142	71	1250	833	722	361

<sup>\*</sup> For Multiple motor configurations, sequence starting is assumed.

**Air Conditioning** 

1 hp per 1 ton

1 ton = 12,000 BTUs

## General Residential Running Load

## **Starting Load**

Description	Нр	Running kW	Amps @ 120V 1Ø	4.9Amps @ 240V 1Ø	Starting kW	LR Amps @ 120V 1Ø	LR Amps @ 240V 1Ø
Refrigerator pump, sump, furnace, garage opener	0.5	0.5	4.9	2.5	1.5	25	13
Freezer, washer, septic grinder	0.75	0.75	7.4	3.7	2.3	38	19
General 1 Hp	1	1	9.8	4.9	3	50	25
Well & septic lift pump	2	2	19.6	9.8	6	100	50



## TABLE 2

## **NON-MOTOR LOAD REFERENCE**

## Residential

		Running Load*	
Description	kW	Amps at 120V 1ø	Amps at 240V 1ø
Electric heat per 1000 ft <sup>2</sup>	12	n/a	50
Heat pump elements per 1000 ft <sup>2</sup>	7	n/a	29
Dryer	5.5	n/a	23
Hot tub	10	n/a	50
Range oven/Stove top per burner	8	n/a	30
Hot water	4.5	n/a	19
General lighting and receptacles per 1000 ft <sup>2</sup>	3	24.9	n/a
Blow dryer	1.25	10.4	n/a
Dishwasher	1.5	12.5	n/a
Microwave	1	8.3	n/a
Toasters	1	8.3	n/a
Home Entertainment Center	1	8.3	n/a
Computer	1	8.3	n/a
Kitchen	1.5	12.5	n/a
Laundry	1.5	12.5	n/a

<sup>\*</sup>Always check data plate for actual running amps.

#### Commercial

Please refer to equipment data plate and/or billing history for commercial details.



## TABLE 3

## **SURGE CAPABILITY**

## **Generac QT Series Generators (Operating at less than 3600 RPM)**

	Rated Output (Running Amps)				Commercial Surge Capability (LR Amps @ 15% Voltage Dip)				Residential Surge Capability (LR Amps @ 30% Voltage Dip)			
Size (kW)	240V 1Ø	208V 3Ø	240V 3Ø	480V 3Ø	240V 1Ø	208V 3Ø	240V 3Ø	480V 3Ø	240V 1Ø	208V 3Ø	240V 3Ø	480V 3Ø
22	92	76	n/a	n/a	71	48	n/a	n/a	134	92	n/a	n/a
27	113	94	81	41	100	67	58	33	153	137	118	64
30	125	104	90	45	100	67	65	43	205	137	130	87
35	146	121	105	52	113	75	60	43	225	150	118	87
36	150	125	108	54	113	75	65	44	225	151	131	87
40	167	139	120	60	129	86	75	49	254	169	147	97
45	188	156	135	68	146	98	94	57	292	195	168	112
48	200	167	144	72	163	109	94	57	321	214	185	112
70	292	243	210	105	275	164	159	95	550	330	318	190
100	417	347	300	150	369	222	214	128	738	441	426	255
130	542	451	390	195	546	364	315	209	1088	724	628	419

## **Generac QT Series Generators (Operating at 3600 RPM)**

	Rated Output (Running Amps)				Commercial Surge Capability (LR Amps @ 15% Voltage Dip)				Residential Surge Capability (LR Amps @ 30% Voltage Dip)			
Size (kW)	240V 1Ø	208V 3Ø	240V 3Ø	480V 3Ø	240V 1Ø	208V 3Ø	240V 3Ø	480V 3Ø	240V 1Ø	208V 3Ø	240V 3Ø	480V 3Ø
7	29	n/a	n/a	n/a	23	n/a	n/a	n/a	46	n/a	n/a	n/a
8	33	n/a	n/a	n/a	26	n/a	n/a	n/a	51	n/a	n/a	n/a
10	42	n/a	n/a	n/a	31	n/a	n/a	n/a	63	n/a	n/a	n/a
13	54	n/a	n/a	n/a	48	n/a	n/a	n/a	95	n/a	n/a	n/a
14	58	n/a	n/a	n/a	52	n/a	n/a	n/a	102	n/a	n/a	n/a
16	67	n/a	n/a	n/a	59	n/a	n/a	n/a	117	n/a	n/a	n/a
17	71	n/a	n/a	n/a	63	n/a	n/a	n/a	125	n/a	n/a	n/a
20	83	n/a	n/a	n/a	73	n/a	n/a	n/a	145	n/a	n/a	n/a
25	104	87	75	38	71	48	46	30	138	92	91	60
30	125	104	90	45	100	67	60	43	205	137	130	87
35	146	121	105	52	113	75	60	43	225	150	118	87
45	188	156	135	68	146	98	94	57	292	195	168	112
60	250	208	180	90	179	120	103	69	350	234	204	136
70	292	243	210	105	275	164	142	95	550	330	286	190
80	333	278	240	120	275	183	158	106	550	366	318	212
100	417	347	300	150	369	222	214	128	738	441	426	255
150	625	520	451	226	558	372	322	215	1121	747	647	431

Note: All nominal ratings based upon LP fuel. Refer to specification sheet for NG ratings and deration adjustments for ambient temperature and altitude.



## TABLE 4

## **FUEL PIPE SIZING**

## Natural Gas (Table values are maximum pipe run in feet.)

				Pipe Size (in	)		
kW	0.75"	1"	1.25"	1.5"	2"	2.5"	3"
7-8	55	200	820				
10	20	85	370	800			
13-14	10	50	245	545			
16-17		40	190	425			
20		20	130	305	945		
22		15	115	260	799		
25		10	95	220	739		
27			85	203	552		
30			60	147	565		
35-36			35	95	370	915	
40			25	75	315	790	
45			15	60	260	650	
48				50	230	585	
50				50	220	560	
60				25	145	390	1185
70				5	75	225	710
80					65	195	630
100					40	140	460
130						50	215
150						30	150

#### LP

LPG: 8.55 ft 3/lb., 4.24 lbs./gal., 2500 btu/ft3

LPG:  $36.3 \text{ ft}^3 = 1 \text{ gal.}$ 

#### **Natural Gas**

1 cubic foot = 1,000 BTU

1 therm = 100,000 BTU

Gas consumption = 13,000-16,000 BTU per kW/hr

#### Pressure

1 inch mercury = 13.61 inches water column

1 inch Water Column = 0.036 psi

5-14 inches water column = 0.18 psi to 0.50 psi

## LP Vapor (LPV) (Table values are maximum pipe run in feet.)

				Pipe Size (in	)		
kW	0.75"	1"	1.25"	1.5"	2"	2.5"	3"
7-8	165	570					
10	70	255	1000				
13-14	45	170	690				
16-17	25	130	540				
20	15	115	480				
22		85	365				
25		60	275	605			
27		55	260	575			
30		40	195	435			
35-36		20	125	290	1030		
40		15	107	250	890		
45			82	195	725		
48			70	165	620		
50			70	160	610		
60			45	115	445	1095	
70			20	60	260	660	
80			15	50	230	590	
100				30	165	430	1305
130					70	205	660
150					45	150	490

#### Note:

- Pipe sizing is based on 0.5" H<sub>2</sub>O pressure drop.
- Sizing includes a nominal number of elbows and tees.
- Please verify adequate service and meter sizing.



## TABLE 5 LP VAPOR (LPV) TANK SIZING

## **Vapor Withdrawal**

Tank Capacity Total (Gal.)	Tank Capacity Useable (Gal.)	Minimum Temp (°F)	Tank Capacity (btu/hr.)	Length (Inches)	Diameter (Inches)	Overall Ht. (Inches)
120	72	40 20 0	246,240 164,160 82,080	57	24	33
150	90	40 20 0	293,760 195,840 97,920	68	24	33
250	150	40 20 0	507,600 338,400 169,200	94	30	39
325	195	40 20 0	642,600 428,400 214,200	119	30	39
500	300	40 20 0	792,540 528,360 264,180	119	37	46
850	510	40 20 0	1,217,700 811,800 405,900	165	41	50
1000	600	40 20 0	1,416,960 944,640 472,320	192	41	50

Load (kW)	BTU / Hr	LP Gal / Hr	NG Ft <sup>3</sup> / Hr	NG Therms/ HR
5	110,000	1.2	110	1.1
10	176,400	2	156	1.6
15	231,800	2.5	220	2.2
20	294,000	2.9	294	2.6
25	352,800	3.8	316	3.2
30	418,300	4.5	417	4.2
35	467,400	5.1	485	4.8
40	550,000	6.1	550	5.5
50	675,000	7.5	675	6.7
60	836,600	9	862	8.6
70	1,035,700	11	1,020	10.2
80	1,170,000	12.7	1,154	11.5
90	1,200,000	13	1,200	12
100	1,280,000	13.8	1,260	12.6
110	1,550,000	17.1	1,550	15.5
120	1,675,000	18.5	1,675	16.7
130	1,800,000	19.5	1,786	17.8
140	1,925,000	21.3	1,925	19.2
150	2,050,000	22.7	2,050	20.5
200	2,800,000	30.9	2,800	28.0
300	4,100,000	45.3	4,100	49.0

Gas Required For Common Appliances								
Appliance	Approximate Input BTU / Hr							
Warm Air Furnace Single Family Multifamily, per unit	100,000 60,000							
Hydronic Boiler, Space Heating Single Family Multifamily, per unit	100,000 60,000							
Hydronic Boiler, Space and Water Heating Single Family Multifamily, per unit	120,000 75,000							
Range, Free Standing, Domestic Built-In Oven or Broiler Unit, Domestic Built-In Top Unit, Domestic	65,000 25,000 40,000							
Water Heater, Automatic Storage, 30 to 40 gal. Tank Water Heater, Automatic Storage, 50 gal. Tank Water Healer, Automatic Storage, Instantaneous	35,000 50,000							
2 GPM 4 GPM 6 GPM Water Heater, Domestic, Circulating or Side-Arm	142,800 285,000 428,000 35,000							
Refrigerator Clothes Dryer, Type 1 (Domestic) Gas Fireplace Direct Vent Gas log Barbecue Gas light Incinerator, Domestic	3,000 35,000 40,000 80,000 40,000 2,500 35,000							
Table Reprinted From Table 5.4.2.1, NFPA 54, 2002 ed	Table Reprinted From Table 5.4.2.1, NFPA 54, 2002 ed.							

Operating Cost Per Hour

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NG Therms/HR x Cost of NG Therm

Note: Tank BTU capacity and generator run times based upon maintaining a minimum tank fuel level of 20%. Tanks are typically filled to 80% full.

Note: Typical fuel consumption based on a generator 100% loaded.



#### **UPS - GENERATOR COMPATIBILITY**

#### Passive (also referenced as standby or off-line) and Line-Interactive

These technologies are most common for personal workstations and point of sale applications. They are typically single phase equipment with size ranges of 350 VA - 2000 VA for passive and 500 VA to 5000 VA for line-interactive.

Passive UPS's are the simplest type. Under normal conditions AC power passes straight through to the UPS load. When the input power supply goes outside of specifications, the UPS transfers the load from input power to the internal DC to AC power inverter. Passive UPS's do not correct for voltage or frequency deviations under "normal" operation.

Line-interactive is similar to the passive technology except it has circuitry that attempts to correct for standard voltage deviations. Frequency deviations under "normal" power operation are not corrected.

#### **Equipment Notes:**

These devices tend to be electrically / harmonically very noisy. A single small UPS is not a significant concern, but applications with multiple UPS's can be problematic.

Passive UPS technology typically has normal tolerances of 10-25% on voltage and 3 hertz on frequency. Minuteman UPS input tolerance is closer to 10-36%. If the input source goes outside of these tolerances, the UPS will switch onto the UPS battery source. Some line-interactive units may have frequency tolerances factory set to 0.5 hertz. These units will need to have their frequency tolerance increased to a minimum of 2 hertz. Minuteman UPS products are close to 5 hertz and not 0.5 hertz.

#### Generator Sizing Recommendation:

Limit the total UPS loading to 15% - 20% of the generator capacity.

#### **Double-Conversion**

This technology is most common for critical load applications. Double-conversion UPS's constantly rectify AC to DC and then invert the DC back into AC. This configuration results in an output that corrects for voltage and frequency deviations.

There are single and three phase models covering small through large applications. Most UPS applications larger than 5000 VA use double conversion technology. This approach is also the preferred technology for generator applications.

#### **Equipment Notes:**

Double-conversion UPS's that are single phase or unfiltered three phase models tend to create a significant level of electrical/ harmonic noise. This is illustrated by harmonic current distortions that are greater than 35%. Minuteman UPS products could have current distortion of 8%. When three phase models are supplied with harmonic filters (current distortion less than 10%), this concern is no longer an issue.

#### **Generator Sizing Recommendation:**

Single phase models: limit the total UPS loading to 25% of the generator capacity.

Single phase Minuteman UPS models: limit the total UPS loading to 50% of the generator capacity.

Three phase models without filters (current distortion > 30%): limit the UPS loading to 35% of the generator capacity.

Three phase models with filters (current distortion < 10%): limit the UPS loading to 80% of the generator capacity.

Supplier(s)	Passive (Standby)	Line-Interactive	Double-Conversion
Minuteman UPS	Enspire	Enterprise Plus	Endeavor
APC	Back-UPS Series	Smart-UPS Series	Symmetra Series
Liebert	PowerSure PST & PSP	PowerSure PSA & PSI	UPStation & Nfinity
Powerware	3000 series	5000 series	9000 series

Note: Ferrups and Delta-Conversion UPS technologies not included in discussion

## TYPICAL GENERATOR/TRANSFER SWITCH COMBINATIONS

8 kW Air-Cooled Generator	10 Circult Load Distribution Panel	27 kW Liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100
	RTSX100		RTSD100
		<del>-</del>	RTSX200
10 kW Air-Cooled Generator	10 Circult Load Distribution Panel	_	RTSD200
	RTSX100		GenReady Load Center
	RTSD100		RTSS200 Load Shedding Switch
	GenReady Load Center		
14 kW Air-Cooled Generator	10 Circuit Load Distribution Panel	30 kW liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100
14 KW All-Gooled Generator	12 Circult Load Distribution Panel	_	RTSD100
		_	RTSX200
	14 Circult Load Distribution Panel	_	RTSD200
	RTSX100	_	GenReady Load Center
	RTSD100	_	RTSS200 Load Shedding Switch
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17 kW Air-Cooled Generator	12 Circuit Load Distribution Panel	35 kW Liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100
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	16 Circuit load Distribution Panel	$\dashv$	RTSX200
	RTSX100		RTSD200
	RTSD100	36 kW Liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100
	RTSX200	30 kW Elquid-000led dellerator	RTSD100
	RTSD200	_	RTSX200
	GenReady Load Center	-	RTSD200
	RTSS200 Load Shedding Switch	_	N130200
	N133200 Edad Shedding Switch	45 kW Liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100
20 kW Air-Cooled Generator	16 Circuit load Distribution Panel		RTSD100
	RTSX100		RTSX200
	RTSD100		RTSD200
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	RTSD200	48 kW Liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100
	GenReady load Center		RTSD100
	RTSS200 load Shedding Switch		RTSX200
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22 kW Liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100		RTSX400
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	RTSX200	60 kW, Liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100
	RTSD200		RTSX200
	GenReady Load Center		RTSD200
	RTSS200 Load Shedding Switch		RTSX400
		_	RTSD400
25 kW Liquid-Cooled Generator	RTSX100	70-150 kW liquid-Cooled Generator	HTS 100 - 800
	RTSD100	70-150 kW liquid-cooled deliciator	П13 100 - 800
	RTSX200		
	RTSD200	_	
	GenReady Load Center		
	RTSS200 Load Shedding Switch		



# NEC (700, 701, 702) Comparison

NEC Comparison Table to be used as a general guideline in determining the proper generator for specific applications. Refer to architectural documents for final selection.

	Article 700 Emergency	Article 701 Standby	Article 702 Optional Standby
Scope	Legally required life safety	Legally required critical support (fire fighting, health hazards, etc)	Protect property & facilities
Equipment Approval	For Emergency / (UL2200)	For Intended Use / (UL2200)	For Intended Use / (UL2200) / Not in 2008
Testing			
Witness Testing (on-sight)	At install & periodically	At install	None
Periodic Testing	Yes	Yes	None
Battery Maintenance	Yes	Yes	None
Maintenance Records	Yes	Yes	None
Load Testing	Yes	Yes	None
Capacity	All Loads	All loads intended to operate at one time	All loads intended to operate at one time / Not in 2008
Other Standby Loads Allowed	Yes with load shedding	Yes with load shedding	2008 – Yes with load shedding
Peak Shaving Allowed	Yes ??	Yes	Yes
Transfer Switch			
Automatic	Yes	SəA	No
Equipment Approval	For Emergency / (UL1008)	For Standby / (UL1008)	For Intended Use / (UL1008)
Means to Permitt Bypass	Yes	No	No
Elect. Operated - Mech. Held	Yes	No	No
Other loads	No	Yes with load shedding	N/A
Max. Fault Current Capable	Yes	Yes	Yes
Signals (Audible & Visual)			
Derangement	Yes / Standard common alarm	Yes / Standard common alarm	Yes / Standard common alarm
Carrying Load	Yes / Displayed at ATS	Yes / Displayed at ATS	Yes / Displayed at ATS
Battery Charger Failed	Yes	Yes	No
Ground Fault Indication	Yes (480V & 1000A)	No	No
NFPA 110 Signaling	Yes / Optional annunciator	Yes / Optional annunciator	No
Signs			
At service	Yes / Type & location	Yes / Type & location	Yes / Type & location
At neutral to ground bonding	Yes (if remote)	Yes (if remote)	Yes (if remote)
Wiring kept independent	Yes	No	No
Fire protection (ref 700-9d)	Yes (1000 persons or 75' building)	No	No
Maximum power outage	10 sec	90 sec	N/A
Retransfer delay	15 min setting	15 min setting	No
Automatic starting	Yes	Yes	No
On-site fuel requirements	2 hours (see NFPA 110)	2 hours	None
Battery charger	Yes	Yes	No
Ground Fault	Indication Only	No	No



# **Electrical Formulas**

TO FIND	KNOWN VALUES	1-PHASE	3-PHASE
KILOWATTS (kW)	Volts, Current, Power Factor	<u>E x I</u> 1000	E x I x 1.73 x PF 1000
KVA	Volts, Current	<u>E x I</u> 1000	E x I x 1.73 1000
AMPERES	kW, Volts, Power Factor	<u>kW x 1000</u> E	<u>kW x 1000</u> E x 1.73 x PF
WATTS	Volts, Amps, Power Factor	Volts x Amps	E x I x 1.73 x PF
NO. OF ROTOR POLES	Frequency, RPM	2 x 60 x Frequency RPM	2 x 60 x frequency RPM
FREQUENCY	RPM, No. of Rotor Poles	RPM x Poles 2 x 60	RPM x Poles 2 x 60
RPM	Frequency, No. of Rotor Poles	2 x 60 x Frequency Rotor Poles	2 x 60 x Frequency Rotor Poles
kW (required for Motor)	Motor Horsepower, Efficiency	HP x 0.746 Efficiency	HP x 0.746 Efficiency
RESISTANCE	Volts, Amperes	<u>E</u> I	<u>E</u> I
VOLTS	Ohms, Amperes	I x R	I x R
AMPERES	Ohms, Volts	<u>E</u> R	E R

E = VOLTS

I = AMPERES

R = RESISTANCE (OHMS) PF = POWER FACTOR



#### **U.S. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES** LINEAR MEASURE INCH 2.540 CENTIMETERS = 3.048 DECIMETERS 12 INCHES **FOOT** = 9.144 DECIMETERS 3 FEET YARD = 5.5 YARDS ROD **5.029 METERS** = = **FURLONG** 2.018 HECTOMETERS 40 RODS = = FURLONGS = 1.609 KILOMETERS 1 MILE = **MILE MEASUREMENTS** STATUTE MILE 5,280 FEET SCOTS MILE 5,952 FEET IRISH MILE 6,720 FEET RUSSIAN VERST = 3,504 FEFT ITALIAN MILE FEET 4,401 1 SPANISH MILE 15.084 FEET **OTHER LINEAR MEASUREMENTS** LINK = 7.92 INCHES FATHOM = 6 FEET FURLONG = 10 CHAINS 1 HAND = 4 INCHES 1 SPAN = 9 INCHES 1 LINK CHAIN = 22 YARDS = 608 1 CABLE **SQUARE MEASURE** 144 SQUARE INCHES SQUARE FOOT SQUARE FEET SQUARE YARD 301/4 SQUARE YARDS SQUARE ROD 40 RODS = ROOD ROODS **ACRE** = 640 **ACRES** SQUARE MILE = SQUARE MILE 1 SECTION 36 **SECTIONS** = 1 TOWNSHIP **CUBIC OR SOLID MEASURE** CU. FOOT 1728 CU. INCHES CU. YARD 27 CU. FEET 7.48 CU. FOOT **GALLONS** GALLON (WATER) 8.34 231 LBS. GALLON (U.S.) GALLON (IMPERIAL) CU. INCHES OF WATER

#### **METRIC SYSTEM**

2771/4

CU. INCHES OF WATER

#### **CUBIC MEASURE:**

(THE UNIT IS THE METER = 39.37 INCHES)

1 CU. CENTIMETER = 1000 CU. MILLIMETERS = 0.06102 CU. IN. 1 CU. DECIMETER = 1000 CU. CENTIMETERS = 61.02374 CU. IN. = 1000 CU. DECIMETERS = 35.31467 CU. FT. 1 CU. METER = 1 STERE = 1.30795 CU. YDS. 1 CU. CENTIMETER (WATER) = 1 GRAM 1000 CU. CENTIMETERS (WATER) = 1 LITER = 1 KILOGRAM

1 CU. METER (1000 LITERS) = 1 METRIC TON

#### **MEASURES OF WEIGHT:**

(THE UNIT IS THE GRAM = 0.035274 OUNCES)

MILLIGRAM = = CENTIGRAM = 10 MILLIGRAMS = 0.015432 GRAINS = 0.15432 **GRAINS** DECIGRAM = 10 CENTIGRAMS = 1.5432 GRAINS = 10 DECIGRAMS = 15.4323 **GRAINS** GRAM DEKAGRAM = 10 GRAMS 5.6438 DRAMS HECTOGRAM = 10 DEKAGRAMS =
KILOGRAM = 10 HECTOGRAMS =
MYRIAGRAM = 10 KILOGRAMS = 3.5274 OUNCES 2.2046223 POUNDS 22.046223 POUNDS = 10 MYRIAGRAMS = 1.986412 CWT. QUINTAL METRIC TON = 10 QUINTAL = 2,2045.622 POUNDS

GRAM = 0.56438 DRAMS 1 DRAM = 1.77186 GRAMS = 27.3438 GRAINS

1 METRIC TON = 2,204.6223 POUNDS

#### **MEASURES OF CAPACITY:**

(THE UNIT IS THE LITER = 1.0567 LIQUID QUARTS)

CENTILITER = 10 MILLILITERS = 0.338 FLUID OUNCES DECILITER = 10 CENTILITERS = 3.38 FLUID OUNCES LITER = 10 DECILITERS = 33.8 FLUID OUNCES DEKALITER = 10 LITERS = 0.284 BUSHEL HECTOLITER = 10 DEKALITERS = 2.84 BUSHELS KILOLITER = 10 HECTOLITERS = 264.2 GALLONS

NOTE: KILOMETERS  $\times 5 = MILES$  or  $\frac{MILES}{5} \times 8 = KILOMETERS$ 

#### **METRIC SYSTEM**

#### PREFIXES:

A. MEGA = 1.000.000 F. DECL 0.1 1.000 F. CENTI B. KILO 0.01 = = C. HECTO = 100 G. MILLI = 0.001 H. MICRO D. DEKA 0.000001

#### LINEAR MEASURE:

(THE UNIT IS THE METER = 39.37 INCHES)

1 CENTIMETER = 10 MILLIMETERS = 0
1 DECIMETER = 10 CENTIMETERS = 3 0.3937011 IN. 3.9370113 INS 1.0936143 YDS. = 10 DECIMETERS 3.2808429 FT. = DEKAMETER = 10 METERS 10.936143 YDS. HECTOMETER = 10 DEKAMETERS = 109.36143 YDS KILOMETER = 10 HECTOMETERS = 0.62137 MILE 1 MYRIAMETER = 10,000 METERS

#### SQUARE MEASURE:

(THE UNIT IS THE SQUARE METER = 1549.9969 SQ. INCHES)

\$Q. CENTIMETER = 100 \$Q. MILLIMETERS = 0.1550 \$Q. IN. \$Q. DECIMETER = 100 \$Q. CENTIMETERS = 15.550 \$Q. INS. \$Q. METER = 100 \$Q. DECIMETERS = 10.7639 \$Q. FT. SQ. DEKAMETER = 100 SQ. METERS SQ. HECTOMETER = 100 SQ. DEKAMETERS = 119.60 SQ, YDS,

1 SQ. KILOMETER = 100 SQ. HECTOMETERS

#### (THE UNIT IS THE "ARE" = 100 SQ. METERS)

= 10 MILLIARES = 10 CENTIARES CENTIARE 10.7643 SQ. FT. = DECIARE 11.96033 SQ. YDS. = SQ. YDS. ARE = 10 DECIARES = 119.6033 DEKARE = 10 ARES 0.247110 ACRES = = 10 DEKARES **HEKTARE** 2.471098 ACRES 1 SQ. KILOMETER = 100 HEKTARES 0.38611 SQ. MILE

#### **CUBIC MEASURE:**

(THE UNIT IS THE "STERE" = 61,025.38659 CU. INS.)
1 DECISTERE = 10 CENTISTERES = 3.531562 CU. FT. STERE = 10 DECISTERES 1.307986 CU. YDS. = 1 DEKASTERE = 10 STERES 13.07986 CU. YDS.

#### **METRIC DESIGNATOR AND TRADE SIZES**

#### METRIC DESIGNATOR

16 21 27 35 41 53 63 78 91 103 129 155 12 1/2 3/4 1 11/4 11/2 2 21/2 3 31/2 4 3/8 5 6 TRADE SIZE

#### U.S. WEIGHTS & MEASURES / METRIC EQUIVALENT CHART

	ln.	Ft.	Yd.	Mile	Mm	Cm	M	Km
1 Inch =	1	.0833	.0278	1.578x10 <sup>-5</sup>	25.4	2.54	.0254	2.54x10 <sup>-5</sup>
1 Foot =	12	1	.333	1.894x10 <sup>-1</sup>	304.8	30.48	.3048	3.048x10 <sup>-1</sup>
1 Yard =	36	3	1	5.6818 x10 <sup>-1</sup>	914.4	91.44	.9144	9.144x10 <sup>-4</sup>
1 Mile =	63,360	5,280	1,760	1	1,609,344	160,934.4	1,609.344	1.609344
1 mm =	.03937	.0032808	1.0936x10 <sup>-3</sup>	6.2137x10 <sup>-7</sup>	I	0.1	0.001	0.000001
1 cm =	.3937	.0328084	.0109361	6.2137x10-6	10	1	0.01	0.00001
1 m =	39.37	3.28084	1.09361	6.2137x10 <sup>-1</sup>	1000	100	1	0.001
1 km =	39,370	3,280.84	1,093.61	0.62137	1,000,000	100,000	1,000	1

In. = Inches FI. = Foot Yd. = Yard Mi. = Mile Mm = Millimeter Cm = Centimeter M = Meter Km = Kilometer

#### EXPLANATION OF SCIENTIFIC NOTATION:

Scientific Notation is simply a way of expressing very large or very small numbers in a more compact format. Any number can be expressed as a number between 1 & 10, multiplied by a power of 10 (which indicates the correct position of the decimal point in the original number). Numbers greater than 10 have positive powers of 10, and numbers less than 1 have negative powers of 10.

Example:  $186,000 = 1.86 \times 10^5$  $0.000524 = 5.24 \times 10^{-4}$ 

#### **USEFUL CONVERSIONS / EQUIVALENTS**

MIL . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Equals 0.001 in.

To determine circular mil of a conductor:

ROUND CONDUCTOR .......CM = (Diameter in mils)<sup>2</sup>

BUS BAR .....CM = Width (mils) x Thickness (mils)

0.7854

1 Millimeter = 39.37 Mils 1 Cir. Millimeter = 1550 Cir. Mils

1 Sq. Millimeter = 1974 Cir. Mils



	Location 0/240 1Ø	Fax					does not meet the necessary or the following applications: Fire Pumps Emergency Systems Fire Pumps Healthcare
ELEC. SERVICE 100	) Amp	☐ 400 Am	р 🗌	600 Amp 🔲 Othe	er	Reference	Codes
Before installation contact loca Generac recommends contact LOADS: Look for heavy building Use the following for sizing	Related Codes NEC 225 NEC 240 NEC 250 NEC 445 NEC 700	and Standards: Branch Circuits and Feeders Overcurrent Protection Grounding Generators Emerganes Systems					
TABLE 6	Motor Load Table	(refer to Tab	le 1)			NEC 700 NEC 701 NEC 702	Emergency Systems Legally Required Standby
Device	НР	RA L	.RA k	W Running (= HP)	Starting kW <sup>1</sup>	NFPA 37	Optional Standby Installation & Use of Stationary Engines National Fuel Gas Code
						NFPA 58	LP Gas Code

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Peak Amps = (L1 + L2 + L3) / 3

kW = [(Peak Amps x Volts) x 1.732] / 1000\*

\*Assumes power factor of 1.0

Size the generator 20 to 25% larger than the peak measured load.

Peak Amps = F	Peak kW=
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# **GENERAC**

#### Determining Existing Loads/Billing History Method 220.87 NEC 2008

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Verify motor and UPS load compatibility. Peak Demand = \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Load Summation Method**

- Enter running kW for all motor loads (except the largest) expected to run during peak load levels into table 6. Refer to table 1 for typical motor load sizes and electrical requirements.
- Enter kW for all non-motor loads expected to run during peak load levels into table 7. Refer to table 2 for typical residential loads and rules of thumb.
- Add the running motor load kW, non-motor load kW, and the starting kW of the largest motor load

Motor load running total (minus largest motor):	kW (ref. table 6)
Non-motor load total:	kW (ref. table 7)
Starting load from largest cycling motor:	kW (ref. table 6)
Total electrical loads:	=kW

Select generator: Commercial (add 20 to 25% to total kW)

Residential (add 10 to 20% to total kW)

- Confirm that voltage dip is within acceptable limits by comparing motor LRA to generator surge capability (see table #3).
- 5) Confirm UPS compatibility (see page 6).

#### System Capacity - Load Calculation

If the local municipality or state you are in has adopted the 2008 NEC Code, you may be required to use this step. Article 702 of the 2008 NEC includes a new requirement for sizing (702.5B). If no other method for sizing is acceptable, sizing of the generator shall be made in accordance with Article 220 of the NEC. The system capacity estimating sheet will guide you through this process.

#### **DLM Load Control Module**

702.5 (B) (2) (a) NEC 2008

The DLM Load Control Module is a 50 amp contact housed in a NEMA 3R enclosure for indoor and outdoor installation applications. Through the use of the DLM Modules in conjunction with any of the 100-400 amp Nexus Smart Switches, household or business loads can be intelligently managed enabling the use of a smaller, more efficient generator system. Up to four DLM Modules can be used with a single switch.

#### **Project Layout**

#### Ball Park Estimates (Do not use for final sizing)

Estimate based on 60% service size: (commercial)

240 Volts, 1 Ø:	Amps x .15 =	kW
208 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .22 =	kW
240 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .25 =	kW
480 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .50 =	kW

Estimate based on 40% service size: (residential)

240 Volts, 1 Ø:	Amps x .10 =	 kW
208 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .15 =	kW
240 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .17 =	kW
480 Volts. 3 Ø:	Amps x .34 =	kW

#### Estimate based on square footage

#### Amps to kW Rule of Thumb (assumes .8 pf)

For 480 volt systems Amps =  $kW \times 1.5$ For 208 volt systems Amps =  $kW \times 3.5$ For 240 volt 3 Ø systems Amps =  $kW \times 3$ For 240 volt 1 Ø systems Amps =  $kW \times 4$ 

# **System Capacity – Load Calculator**



DIRECTIONS FOR NEC 2008, ARTICLE 220,	
220.80 Optional Feeder and Service Load Calculations (RESIDENTIAL)	NEC REFERENCE
SECTION CAN BE USED FOR DWELLING UNITS	220.82 (A <sub>j</sub>
Served by a single feeder conductor (generator)	
• 120/240 volt or 208Y/120 volt service	
Ampacity of 100 amps or greater	
The calcultated load will be the result of adding	000 00 /D
• 220.82 (B) General Loads, and	220.82 (B
• 220.82 (C) Heating and Air-Conditioning Load	220.82 (C
<ul> <li>Calculated neutral load determined by 220.61. (Additional 70% demand factor can be taken for cooking appliances and dryers when tables 220.54 and/or 220.55 are used)</li> </ul>	9
GENERAL LOADS	220.82 (B
General Lighting and General-Use Receptacles	
Calculate at 3 VA per square foot	220.82 (B) (1
<ul> <li>Use exterior dimensions of the home to calculate square footage – do not include open</li> </ul>	en
porches, garages, or unused or unfinished spaces not adaptable for future use.	
Add 20-amp small appliance & laundry circuits @ 1500 VA each	220.82 (B) (2
Calculate the following loads at 100% of nameplate rating	220.82 (B) (3
Appliances fastened in place, permanently connected or located on a specific circuit	220.82 (B) (3)
• Ranges, wall-mounted ovens, counter-mounted cooking units (Tables 220.54 & 220.5	
Clothes dryers not connected to the laundry branch circuit	220.82 (B) (3)
Water heaters	220.82 (B) (3)
Permanently connected motors not included in Heat & Air-Conditioning Load section	220.82 (B) (4
HEATING & AIR-CONDITIONING LOADS	220.82 (C
Include the <b>largest</b> of the following six selections (kVA load) in calculation	
Air Conditioning and Cooling	220.82 (C) (1
• 100% of nameplate rating	
Heat Pumps Without Supplemental Electric Heating	220.82 (C) (2
• 100% of nameplate rating	
Heat Pumps With Supplemental Electric Heating	220.82 (C) (3
• 100% of nameplate rating of the heat pump compressor*	
65% of nameplate rating of supplemental electric heating equipment	
<ul> <li>If compressor &amp; supplemental heat cannot run at the same time</li> </ul>	
do not include the compressor	
Electric Space Heating	
• Less than 4 separately controlled units @ 65% of nameplate rating	220.82 (C) (4
• 4 or more separately controlled units @ 40% of nameplate rating	220.82 (C) (5
• 40% of nameplate rating if 4 or more separately controlled units	000 00 (0) (0
Electric Thermal Storage (or system where the load is expected to be	220.82 (C) (6
continuous at nameplate rating  • 100% of nameplate rating	
• Systems of this type cannot be calculated under any other section of 220.82 (C).	
LOAD CALCULATIONS	
General Lighting Load	3 VA x ft²
Small Appliance & Laundry Circuits	+ 1500 VA per circuit
General Appliances & Motors (100% rated load)	+ <u>Total general appliances</u>
• Sum of all General Loads	= Total General Load (VA)
APPLY DEMAND FACTORS	
- First 10 kVA @ 100%	= 10,000 VA
- Remainder of General Loads @ 40%	(Total VA - 10,000) x .40
	= Calculated General Load (VA)
• HEAT / A-C LOAD @ 100%	Largest Heat or A-C Load (VA)
	= TOTAL CALCULATED LOAD

Converting VA TO kW (Single-phase applications with 1.0 power factor only) 1 kVA = 1 kW

220.54

Worksheet — NE	C 2008, 220 P	art IV			
Contractor		Email			
Phone		Fax			
Job Name					
Date	Location				
Voltage (Circle)	240V -1Ø				
Fuel		NG	LPV		
Elec. Service	100 Amp	200 Amp	400 Amp	Ut Ot	her
NET SQUARE FOOTAGE					Loodo (IdA)
GENERAL LOADS	Qty	Rating (Load)	Factor	Loads (VA)	Loads (kW) (VA ÷ 1,000)
General Lighting and General Use Receptacles		3 VA/ft <sup>2</sup>	100%		
Branch Circuits (1500 VA/ft²)					
Small Appliance Circuits (20 Amp)		1500	100%		
Laundry Circuits		1500	100%		
Fixed Appliances		Full Curre	nt Rating		
Well			100%		
Sump Pump			100%		
Freezer			100%		
Microwave (Not counter-top model)			100%	1	
Disposal			100%		
Dishwasher			100%		
Range (See Table 220.55 for multiple cooking appliances)			100%		1
Wall-Mounted Oven		+	100%		
Counter-Mounted Cooking Surface		<del>                                     </del>	100%		
Water Heater			100%		
Clothes Dryer		-	100%		
Garage Door Opener			100%		
Septic Grinder			100%		ļ
Other (list)			100%		
			100%		
			100%		
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			100%		
			100%		
			100%		
Total General Loads			10070	VA	kW
HEAT / A-C LOAD				1 7/1	, , , ,
A-C / Cooling Equipment			100%		
Heat Pump		1			
Compressor (if not included as A-C)			100%		
Supplemental Electric Heat		+	65%	<del>                                     </del>	
Electric Space Heating		+	00 /0	+	
Less than 4 separately controlled units		+	65%	+	+
		-		<del>                                     </del>	-
4 or more separately controlled units  Custom With Continuous Negrophyte Load		<del>                                     </del>	40%	<del>                                     </del>	<del>                                     </del>
System With Continuous Nameplate Load		-	100%		1
Largest Heat / A-C Load (VA) VA kW	l				L
GENERAL LOADS					
• 1st 10 kW of General Loads 100% kW			100%	kW	
Remaining General Loads (kW) 40% kW			40%	kW	
CALCULATED GENERAL LOAD (kW) kW					kW
LARGEST HEAT / A-C LOAD 100% kW kW					kW
TOTAL CALCULATED LOAD (Net General Loads + Heat/A-C Load)					1247
					kW



Job Name Date  VOLTAGE	Locatio	Fax Applications The QT Series does not meet th requirements for the following application  NEC 695 Fire Pumps NEC 700 Emergency System of the following application of the QT Series does not meet the requirements for the following application of the QT Series does not meet the requirements for the following applications of the QT Series does not meet the requirements for the following applications of the QT Series does not meet the requirements for the following applications of the QT Series does not meet the requirements for the following applications of the QT Series does not meet the requirements for the following applications of the QT Series does not meet the requirements for the following applications of the follow						
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Before installation contact local jurisdiction to confirm all requirements are met. Jurisdictions may vary.  Generac recommends contacting local authorities prior to installation.  LOADS: Look for heavy building loads such as refrigeration, air conditioning, pumps or UPS systems.  Use the following for sizing and determining generator kW.							and Standards: Branch Circuits and Feeders Overcurrent Protection Grounding Generators Emergency Systems	
TABLE 6 Motor Load Table (refer to Table 1)							Legally Required Standby Optional Standby	
Device	НР	RA	LRA	kW Running (= HP)	Starting kW <sup>1</sup>	NEC 702 NFPA 37	Installation & Use of	
						NFPA 54 NFPA 58	Stationary Engines National Fuel Gas Code LP Gas Code	

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	To Calculate kW						
l	120 V 1ø	Amps x 120/1000 = kW					
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- Enter running kW for all motor loads (except the largest) expected to run during peak load levels into table 6. Refer to table 1 for typical motor load sizes and electrical requirements.
- Enter kW for all non-motor loads expected to run during peak load levels into table 7. Refer to table 2 for typical residential loads and rules of thumb.
- Add the running motor load kW, non-motor load kW, and the starting kW of the largest motor load

Motor load running total (minus largest motor):	kW (ref. table 6)
Non-motor load total:	kW (ref. table 7)
Starting load from largest cycling motor:	kW (ref. table 6)
Total electrical loads:	=kW

Select generator: Commercial (add 20 to 25% to total kW)

Residential (add 10 to 20% to total kW)

- Confirm that voltage dip is within acceptable limits by comparing motor LRA to generator surge capability (see table #3).
- 5) Confirm UPS compatibility (see page 6).

#### System Capacity - Load Calculation

If the local municipality or state you are in has adopted the 2008 NEC Code, you may be required to use this step. Article 702 of the 2008 NEC includes a new requirement for sizing (702.5B). If no other method for sizing is acceptable, sizing of the generator shall be made in accordance with Article 220 of the NEC. The system capacity estimating sheet will guide you through this process.

#### **DLM Load Control Module**

702.5 (B) (2) (a) NEC 2008

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#### **Project Layout**

#### Ball Park Estimates (Do not use for final sizing)

Estimate based on 60% service size: (commercial)

240 Volts, 1 Ø:	Amps x .15 = _	kW
208 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .22 =	kW
240 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .25 =	kW
480 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .50 =	kW

Estimate based on 40% service size: (residential)

240 Volts, 1 Ø:	Amps x .10 =	kW
208 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .15 =	kW
240 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .17 =	kW
480 Volts. 3 Ø:	Amps x .34 =	kW

#### Estimate based on square footage

#### Amps to kW Rule of Thumb (assumes .8 pf)

 For 480 volt systems
 Amps = kW x 1.5

 For 208 volt systems
 Amps = kW x 3.5

 For 240 volt 3 Ø systems
 Amps = kW x 3

 For 240 volt 1 Ø systems
 Amps = kW x 4

# **System Capacity – Load Calculator**



DIRECTIONS FOR NEC 2008, ARTICLE 220,	
220.80 Optional Feeder and Service Load Calculations (RESIDENTIAL)	NEC REFERENCE
SECTION CAN BE USED FOR DWELLING UNITS	220.82 (A <sub>j</sub>
Served by a single feeder conductor (generator)	
• 120/240 volt or 208Y/120 volt service	
Ampacity of 100 amps or greater	
The calcultated load will be the result of adding	000 00 /D
• 220.82 (B) General Loads, and	220.82 (B
• 220.82 (C) Heating and Air-Conditioning Load	220.82 (C
<ul> <li>Calculated neutral load determined by 220.61. (Additional 70% demand factor can be taken for cooking appliances and dryers when tables 220.54 and/or 220.55 are used)</li> </ul>	9
GENERAL LOADS	220.82 (B
General Lighting and General-Use Receptacles	
Calculate at 3 VA per square foot	220.82 (B) (1
<ul> <li>Use exterior dimensions of the home to calculate square footage – do not include open</li> </ul>	en
porches, garages, or unused or unfinished spaces not adaptable for future use.	
Add 20-amp small appliance & laundry circuits @ 1500 VA each	220.82 (B) (2
Calculate the following loads at 100% of nameplate rating	220.82 (B) (3
Appliances fastened in place, permanently connected or located on a specific circuit	220.82 (B) (3)
• Ranges, wall-mounted ovens, counter-mounted cooking units (Tables 220.54 & 220.5	
Clothes dryers not connected to the laundry branch circuit	220.82 (B) (3)
Water heaters	220.82 (B) (3)
Permanently connected motors not included in Heat & Air-Conditioning Load section	220.82 (B) (4
HEATING & AIR-CONDITIONING LOADS	220.82 (C
Include the <b>largest</b> of the following six selections (kVA load) in calculation	
Air Conditioning and Cooling	220.82 (C) (1
• 100% of nameplate rating	
Heat Pumps Without Supplemental Electric Heating	220.82 (C) (2
• 100% of nameplate rating	
Heat Pumps With Supplemental Electric Heating	220.82 (C) (3
• 100% of nameplate rating of the heat pump compressor*	
65% of nameplate rating of supplemental electric heating equipment	
<ul> <li>If compressor &amp; supplemental heat cannot run at the same time</li> </ul>	
do not include the compressor	
Electric Space Heating	
• Less than 4 separately controlled units @ 65% of nameplate rating	220.82 (C) (4
• 4 or more separately controlled units @ 40% of nameplate rating	220.82 (C) (5
• 40% of nameplate rating if 4 or more separately controlled units	000 00 (0) (0
Electric Thermal Storage (or system where the load is expected to be	220.82 (C) (6
continuous at nameplate rating  • 100% of nameplate rating	
• Systems of this type cannot be calculated under any other section of 220.82 (C).	
LOAD CALCULATIONS	
General Lighting Load	3 VA x ft²
Small Appliance & Laundry Circuits	+ 1500 VA per circuit
General Appliances & Motors (100% rated load)	+ <u>Total general appliances</u>
• Sum of all General Loads	= Total General Load (VA)
APPLY DEMAND FACTORS	
- First 10 kVA @ 100%	= 10,000 VA
- Remainder of General Loads @ 40%	(Total VA - 10,000) x .40
	= Calculated General Load (VA)
• HEAT / A-C LOAD @ 100%	Largest Heat or A-C Load (VA)
	= TOTAL CALCULATED LOAD

Converting VA TO kW (Single-phase applications with 1.0 power factor only) 1 kVA = 1 kW

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Worksheet — NE	C 2008, 220 Pa	art IV			
Contractor		Email			
Phone		Fax			
Job Name					
Date	Location				
Voltage (Circle)	240V -1Ø				
Fuel		NG	LPV		
Elec. Service	100 Amp	200 Amp	400 Amp	Oti	ner
NET SQUARE FOOTAGE					
GENERAL LOADS	Qty	Rating (Load)	Factor	Loads (VA)	Loads (kW) (VA ÷ 1,000)
General Lighting and General Use Receptacles		3 VA/ft <sup>2</sup>	100%		
Branch Circuits (1500 VA/ft²)					
Small Appliance Circuits (20 Amp)		1500	100%		
Laundry Circuits		1500	100%		
Fixed Appliances		Full Curre	nt Rating		
Well			100%		
Sump Pump			100%		
Freezer			100%		
Microwave (Not counter-top model)			100%		
Disposal		1	100%	1	
Dishwasher			100%		
Range (See Table 220.55 for multiple cooking appliances)		<del>                                     </del>	100%		
Wall-Mounted Oven		+	100%	+	<del>                                     </del>
			100%		-
Counter-Mounted Cooking Surface					
Water Heater			100%	-	$\vdash$
Clothes Dryer			100%		
Garage Door Opener			100%		$oxed{\Box}$
Septic Grinder			100%		
Other (list)			100%		
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			100%	1	<del>                                     </del>
			100%		<del>                                     </del>
			100%		
Total General Loads		<del>                                     </del>	100 /6	VA	kW
HEAT / A-C LOAD	<u> </u>				N VV
A-C / Cooling Equipment	1	T	100%	Г	
Heat Pump		+	10070	+	<del>                                     </del>
		-	1000/	<del>                                     </del>	$\vdash$
Compressor (if not included as A-C)     Compressor (If not included as A-C)		-	100%	+	<del>                                     </del>
Supplemental Electric Heat  Floating Space Heating			65%	<del>                                     </del>	├──┤
Electric Space Heating			050/	<del>                                     </del>	├──┤
Less than 4 separately controlled units			65%	ļl	ļI
4 or more separately controlled units		ļ	40%	ļI	ļ
System With Continuous Nameplate Load			100%	1	
Largest Heat / A-C Load (VA) VA kW					
GENERAL LOADS					
• 1st 10 kW of General Loads 100% kW			100%	kW	
Remaining General Loads (kW) 40% kW			40%	kW	
CALCULATED GENERAL LOAD (kW) kW				_	kW
LARGEST HEAT / A-C LOAD 100% kW kW					kW
TOTAL CALCULATED LOAD (Net General Loads + Heat/A-C Load)					
					kW



Contractor			Ema	il				
Phone			Fax_				Application	ne
Job Name							The QT Series	does not meet the necessary
Date		Location					requirements for NEC 695	or the following applications: Fire Pumps
VOLTAGE TYPE	☐ 120/240 1Ø☐ Natural Gas	☐ LP	Vapor (LF	V)	)/240 3 <b>ø</b> □ 277/4	80 3Ø	NEC 700 NFPA 20 NFPA 99 NFPA 110	Emergency Systems Fire Pumps Healthcare Emergency Systems
ELEC. SERVICE	☐ 100 Amp ☐	200 Amp	□ 400	Amp $\square$	☐ 600 Amp ☐ Othe	er	Reference	Codes
Generac recommend LOADS: Look for hea	ontact local jurisdiction to ds contacting local authory building loads such as ro for sizing and determ	orities prior efrigeration,	to installati air condition	on. ing, pumps (	t. Jurisdictions may vary. or UPS systems.			and Standards: Branch Circuits and Feeders Overcurrent Protection Grounding Generators
TABLE	6 Motor Loa	d Table	(refer to	Table 1)			NEC 700 NEC 701 NEC 702	Emergency Systems Legally Required Standby Optional Standby
Device		HP	RA	LRA	kW Running (= HP)	Starting kW <sup>1</sup>	NFPA 37	Optional Standby Installation & Use of Stationary Engines
							NFPA 54 NFPA 58	National Fuel Gas Code

Device	HP	RA	LRA	kW Running (= HP)	Starting kW <sup>1</sup>	NFPA 37	
						NFPA 54	
						NFPA 58	LP Gas Code
						To Calculate I	(W
						120 V 1ø	Amps x 120/1000 = kW
						240 V 1ø	Amps x 240/1000 = kW
						208 V 3ø	(Amps x 208 x 1.732 x PF) /1000
						240 V 3ø	(Amps x 240 x 1.732 x PF) /1000
						480 V 3ø	(Amps x 480 x 1.732 x PF) /1000
<sup>1</sup> Starting kW for HP < 7.5 starting						PF is application	power factor (worst case 1.0)

ate kW Amps x 120/1000 = kW Amps x 240/1000 = kW (Amps x 208 x 1.732 x PF) / 1000 = kW(Amps x 240 x 1.732 x PF) /1000 = kW (Amps x 480 x 1.732 x PF) / 1000 = kW

Typical application power factor is 0.95.

Starting kW for loading with no listed HP, calculate HP based on running amps in the chart on the right

TABLE 7	Non-Motor Load Table (refer to Table 2)							
Device		Amps	kW					

#### **UPS Information**

1.5 x kVA rating for a filtered system

3 – 5 x kVA rating for an unfiltered system

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and contact the manufacturer of the UPS system to assist in your installation.

#### **Transfer Switch Availability**

- 100, 200 and 400 Amp service rated **RTSD** 

**RTSX** - 100, 200, 400 Amp

RTSS200A3 - Service rated load shed switch

**GenReady** – 200 Amp service panel

RTS and GenReady switches only work with the R-controller.

HTS - 100, 150, 200, 300, 400, 600, 800 Amp

> HTS switch only works with H100 controller. Avail. in NEMA 1, NEMA 3R and NEMA 12. Refer to Generac product catalog for the appropriate transfer switch.

Recommended Generator Size \_\_\_\_\_ Refer to Generator Sizing Instructions on other side of this sheet.

#### **INSTALL NOTES:**

- 1. Suggested concrete pad minimum thickness of 4" with 6" overhang on all sides. Composite pad included with air-cooled products.
- 2. Consult manual for installation recommendations.
- 3. Consult local authority having jurisdiction for local requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Starting kW for HP < 7.5 starting kW = HP x 3 Starting kW for HP > 7.5 starting kW = HP x 2

#### **Generator Sizing Instructions:**

There is not a single correct sizing solution. Following are several methods that, when mixed with good judgement, should result in an appropriately sized generator. Remember to consider load growth, seasonality, and effects of starting motors.

As municipalities and states adopt the new 2008 NEC Electrical Code, there may be new sizing requirements, spelled out in the code book, which the installation technician must follow. Always check with the local inspection department to confirm which code cycle will affect your install.

Never add Amps when sizing a generator. Convert Amps to kW and add kW to determine the required generator size. Power factors for various motor loads vary widely. Adding Amps without properly accounting for the power factor and/or mixing voltages will result in improperly sizing the generator.

When motors start, they create a current surge that step loads the generator and creates a voltage dip. After selecting a generator, reference the generator's surge capability using **table 3**. Verify that voltage dip is adequate for the application. Most commercial applications should be limited to about 15% voltage dip and residential applications should be limited to a 30% voltage dip.

Some applications utilize an uninterruptible power supply (UPS) to back up critical loads. Please read sizing guide for this load type.

#### **Measurement Method**

Use a clamp-on Amp meter or power analyzer to measure facility load levels. Clamp each leg separately and take the measurement during peak usage levels.

**240V 1ø Applications:** To determine peak usage in kW, add the highest Amp readings from the two legs, multiply by 120 and divide by 1,000.

(L1 + L2)120 / 1000

Size the generator 10 to 20% larger than the peak measured load.

3ø Applications: Add the peak Amp readings from all three legs and divide by 3 to determine peak Amps. Multiply peak Amps by volts, multiply the result by 1.732 (square root of 3), then divide by 1000 to convert Amps to kW.

Peak Amps = (L1 + L2 + L3) / 3

kW = [(Peak Amps x Volts) x 1.732] / 1000\*

\*Assumes power factor of 1.0

Size the generator 20 to 25% larger than the peak measured load.

Peak Amps =	Peak kW=
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#### Determining Existing Loads/Billing History Method 220.87 NEC 2008

Many customers have a utility rate structure that has a peak demand charge. Using a year's worth of electric bills, size the generator 25% larger than the largest peak demand.

Verify motor and UPS load compatibility. Peak Demand = \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Load Summation Method**

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- Enter kW for all non-motor loads expected to run during peak load levels into table 7. Refer to table 2 for typical residential loads and rules of thumb.
- Add the running motor load kW, non-motor load kW, and the starting kW of the largest motor load

Motor load running total (minus largest motor):	kW (ref. table 6)
Non-motor load total:	kW (ref. table 7)
Starting load from largest cycling motor:	kW (ref. table 6)
Total electrical loads:	=kW

Select generator: Commercial (add 20 to 25% to total kW)

Residential (add 10 to 20% to total kW)

- Confirm that voltage dip is within acceptable limits by comparing motor LRA to generator surge capability (see table #3).
- 5) Confirm UPS compatibility (see page 6).

#### System Capacity - Load Calculation

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#### **Project Layout**

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#### Ball Park Estimates (Do not use for final sizing)

Estimate based on 60% service size: (commercial)

240 Volts, 1 Ø:	Amps x .15 =	kW
208 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .22 =	kW
240 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .25 =	kW
480 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .50 =	kW

Estimate based on 40% service size: (residential)

240 Volts, 1 Ø:	Amps x .10 =	kW
208 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .15 =	kW
240 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .17 =	kW
480 Volts. 3 Ø:	Amps x .34 =	kW

#### Estimate based on square footage

Fast food, convenience stores, restaurants, grocery stores

Other commercial applications

Square footage = \_\_\_\_\_\_

Estimated kW = \_\_\_\_\_

#### Amps to kW Rule of Thumb (assumes .8 pf)

# **System Capacity – Load Calculator**



DIRECTIONS FOR NEC 2008, ARTICLE 220	, PART IV
	NEC REFERENCE
220.80 Optional Feeder and Service Load Calculations (RESIDENTIAL) SECTION CAN BE USED FOR DWELLING UNITS	220.92 (A)
Served by a single feeder conductor (generator)	220.82 (A)
• 120/240 volt or 208Y/120 volt service	
Ampacity of 100 amps or greater	
The calcultated load will be the result of adding	
• 220.82 (B) General Loads, and	220.82 (B)
<ul> <li>220.82 (C) Heating and Air-Conditioning Load</li> </ul>	220.82 (C)
Calculated neutral load determined by 220.61. (Additional 70% demand factor can be	)
taken for cooking appliances and dryers when tables 220.54 and/or 220.55 are used)	
GENERAL LOADS	220.82 (B)
General Lighting and General-Use Receptacles	
Calculate at 3 VA per square foot	220.82 (B) (1)
• Use exterior dimensions of the home to calculate square footage – do not include op	en
porches, garages, or unused or unfinished spaces not adaptable for future use.	
<ul> <li>Add 20-amp small appliance &amp; laundry circuits @ 1500 VA each</li> </ul>	220.82 (B) (2)
Calculate the following loads at 100% of nameplate rating	220.82 (B) (3
Appliances fastened in place, permanently connected or located on a specific circuit	220.82 (B) (3) a
• Ranges, wall-mounted ovens, counter-mounted cooking units (Tables 220.54 & 220.	
Clothes dryers not connected to the laundry branch circuit	220.82 (B) (3) (
Water heaters     Dermanathy connected meters not included in Lleat 9. Air Conditioning Load costion.	220.82 (B) (3) c
<ul> <li>Permanently connected motors not included in Heat &amp; Air-Conditioning Load section</li> <li>HEATING &amp; AIR-CONDITIONING LOADS</li> </ul>	220.82 (B) (4) 220.82 (C)
Include the <b>largest</b> of the following six selections (kVA load) in calculation	220.02 (0)
Air Conditioning and Cooling	220.82 (C) (1)
• 100% of nameplate rating	
Heat Pumps Without Supplemental Electric Heating	220.82 (C) (2)
• 100% of nameplate rating	
Heat Pumps With Supplemental Electric Heating	220.82 (C) (3
• 100% of nameplate rating of the heat pump compressor*	
• 65% of nameplate rating of supplemental electric heating equipment	
<ul> <li>If compressor &amp; supplemental heat cannot run at the same time do not include the compressor</li> </ul>	
Electric Space Heating	
Less than 4 separately controlled units @ 65% of nameplate rating	220.82 (C) (4
• 4 or more separately controlled units @ 40% of nameplate rating	220.82 (C) (5)
40% of nameplate rating if 4 or more separately controlled units	(-) (-)
Electric Thermal Storage (or system where the load is expected to be	220.82 (C) (6
continuous at nameplate rating	
• 100% of nameplate rating	
• Systems of this type cannot be calculated under any other section of 220.82 (C).	
LOAD CALCULATIONS	
General Lighting Load	3 VA x ft²
Small Appliance & Laundry Circuits	+ 1500 VA per circuit
General Appliances & Motors (100% rated load)	+ <u>Total general appliances</u>
Sum of all General Loads	= Total General Load (VA)
APPLY DEMAND FACTORS	
- First 10 kVA @ 100%	= 10,000 VA
- Remainder of General Loads @ 40%	(Total VA - 10,000) x .40
• HEAT / A-C LOAD @ 100%	= Calculated General Load (VA)  Largest Heat or A-C Load (VA)
TIEAT / A-0 LOAD @ 100 /0	= TOTAL CALCULATED LOAD

Converting VA TO kW (Single-phase applications with 1.0 power factor only) 1 kVA = 1 kW

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Worksheet	— NEC 2008, 220 Pa	art IV			
Contractor		Email			
Phone		Fax			
Job Name					
Date	Location				
Voltage (Circle)	240V -1Ø				
Fuel		NG	LPV	ļI	
Elec. Service	100 Amp	200 Amp	400 Amp	Ot Ot	her
NET SQUARE FOOTAGE					1 (110
GENERAL LOADS	Qty	Rating (Load)	Factor	Loads (VA)	Loads (kW) (VA ÷ 1,000)
General Lighting and General Use Receptacles		3 VA/ft <sup>2</sup>	100%		
Branch Circuits (1500 VA/ft²)					
Small Appliance Circuits (20 Amp)		1500	100%		
Laundry Circuits		1500	100%		
Fixed Appliances	ĺ	Full Curre	nt Rating		
Well			100%		Ì
Sump Pump			100%		
Freezer			100%		
Microwave (Not counter-top model)			100%	<del>                                     </del>	
Disposal		+	100%	+	+
Dishwasher	+	+	100%	+	
					-
Range (See Table 220.55 for multiple cooking appliances)			100%		
Wall-Mounted Oven			100%		
Counter-Mounted Cooking Surface			100%		
Water Heater			100%		
Clothes Dryer			100%		
Garage Door Opener			100%		
Septic Grinder			100%		
Other (list)			100%		Ì
			100%	1	
			100%		
			100%		
			100%		+
			100%	+	1
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			100%		-
			100%		-
			100%		
			100%		
Total General Loads HEAT / A-C LOAD				VA	kW
A-C / Cooling Equipment			100%		1
Heat Pump	1				
Compressor (if not included as A-C)			100%		1
Supplemental Electric Heat			65%	<del>                                     </del>	
Electric Space Heating	+	+	UJ /0	+	
		+	GEO/	+	+
Less than 4 separately controlled units     A or more generately controlled units			65% 40%	-	-
4 or more separately controlled units  Control With Continuous Namentals Lead				<del>                                     </del>	
System With Continuous Nameplate Load			100%		-
Largest Heat / A-C Load (VA) VA kW					
GENERAL LOADS			4022		
• 1st 10 kW of General Loads 100% kW			100%	kW	
Remaining General Loads (kW) 40% kW			40%	kW	
CALCULATED GENERAL LOAD (kW) kW					kW
LARGEST HEAT / A-C LOAD 100% kW kW					kW
TOTAL CALCULATED LOAD (Net General Loads + Heat/A-C Load)					1,144
					kW



ContractorPhone		Applications					
Job Name  Date  VOLTAGE	Location	 208 3ø	☐ 120	)/240 3Ø □ 277/4			does not meet the necessary or the following applications: Fire Pumps Emergency Systems Fire Pumps Healthcare Emergency Systems
ELEC. SERVICE  100 Amp  200 Amp  600 Amp  Other  Before installation contact local jurisdiction to confirm all requirements are met. Jurisdictions may vary.  Generac recommends contacting local authorities prior to installation.  LOADS: Look for heavy building loads such as refrigeration, air conditioning, pumps or UPS systems.  Use the following for sizing and determining generator kW.							Codes and Standards: Branch Circuits and Feeders Overcurrent Protection Grounding Generators Emergency Systems
TABLE 6 Motor Load Table (refer to Table 1)							Legally Required Standby Optional Standby
Device	HP	RA	LRA	kW Running (= HP)	Starting kW <sup>1</sup>	NEC 702 NFPA 37 NFPA 54 NFPA 58	Installation & Use of Stationary Engines National Fuel Gas Code LP Gas Code

To Calculate kW					
120 V 1ø	Amps x 120/1000 = kW				
240 V 1ø	Amps x 240/1000 = kW				
208 V 3ø	(Amps x 208 x 1.732 x PF) /1000 = kW				
240 V 3ø	(Amps x 240 x 1.732 x PF) /1000 = kW				
480 V 3ø	(Amps x 480 x 1.732 x PF) /1000 = kW				

PF is application power factor (worst case 1.0) Typical application power factor is 0.95.

1	Starting	kW	for HP	< 7.5	starting	kW = HP x 3	
	Starting	kW	for HP	> 7.5	starting	$kW = HP \times 2$	

Starting kW for loading with no listed HP, calculate HP based on running amps in the chart on the right

TABLE 7	Non-Motor Load Table (refer to Table 2)								
Device		Amps	kW						
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#### **UPS Information**

1.5 x kVA rating for a filtered system

3 – 5 x kVA rating for an unfiltered system

Generac recommends you refer to the Generac UPS Generator Compatibility sheet and contact the manufacturer of the UPS system to assist in your installation.

#### **Transfer Switch Availability**

**RTSD** – 100, 200 and 400 Amp service rated

**RTSX** - 100, 200, 400 Amp

RTSS200A3 – Service rated load shed switch

**GenReady** – 200 Amp service panel

RTS and GenReady switches only work with the R-controller.

**HTS** – 100, 150, 200, 300, 400, 600, 800 Amp

HTS switch only works with H100 controller. Avail. in NEMA 1, NEMA 3R and NEMA 12. Refer to Generac product catalog for the appropriate transfer switch.

Refer to Generator Sizing Instructions on other side of this sheet.

#### **INSTALL NOTES:**

- 1. Suggested concrete pad minimum thickness of 4" with 6" overhang on all sides. Composite pad included with air-cooled products.
- 2. Consult manual for installation recommendations.
- 3. Consult local authority having jurisdiction for local requirements.

#### **Generator Sizing Instructions:**

There is not a single correct sizing solution. Following are several methods that, when mixed with good judgement, should result in an appropriately sized generator. Remember to consider load growth, seasonality, and effects of starting motors.

As municipalities and states adopt the new 2008 NEC Electrical Code, there may be new sizing requirements, spelled out in the code book, which the installation technician must follow. Always check with the local inspection department to confirm which code cycle will affect your install.

Never add Amps when sizing a generator. Convert Amps to kW and add kW to determine the required generator size. Power factors for various motor loads vary widely. Adding Amps without properly accounting for the power factor and/or mixing voltages will result in improperly sizing the generator.

When motors start, they create a current surge that step loads the generator and creates a voltage dip. After selecting a generator, reference the generator's surge capability using **table 3**. Verify that voltage dip is adequate for the application. Most commercial applications should be limited to about 15% voltage dip and residential applications should be limited to a 30% voltage dip.

Some applications utilize an uninterruptible power supply (UPS) to back up critical loads. Please read sizing guide for this load type.

#### Measurement Method

Use a clamp-on Amp meter or power analyzer to measure facility load levels. Clamp each leg separately and take the measurement during peak usage levels.

**240V 1ø Applications:** To determine peak usage in kW, add the highest Amp readings from the two legs, multiply by 120 and divide by 1,000.

(L1 + L2)120 / 1000

Size the generator 10 to 20% larger than the peak measured load.

3ø Applications: Add the peak Amp readings from all three legs and divide by 3 to determine peak Amps. Multiply peak Amps by volts, multiply the result by 1.732 (square root of 3), then divide by 1000 to convert Amps to kW.

Peak Amps = (L1 + L2 + L3)/3

kW = [(Peak Amps x Volts) x 1.732] / 1000\*

\*Assumes power factor of 1.0

Size the generator 20 to 25% larger than the peak measured load.

Peak Amps = Peak	kW=
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# **GENERAC**

#### Determining Existing Loads/Billing History Method 220.87 NEC 2008

Many customers have a utility rate structure that has a peak demand charge. Using a year's worth of electric bills, size the generator 25% larger than the largest peak demand.

Verify motor and UPS load compatibility. Peak Demand = \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Load Summation Method**

- Enter running kW for all motor loads (except the largest) expected to run during peak load levels into table 6. Refer to table 1 for typical motor load sizes and electrical requirements.
- Enter kW for all non-motor loads expected to run during peak load levels into table 7. Refer to table 2 for typical residential loads and rules of thumb.
- Add the running motor load kW, non-motor load kW, and the starting kW of the largest motor load

Motor load running total (minus largest motor):	kW (ref. table 6)
Non-motor load total:	kW (ref. table 7)
Starting load from largest cycling motor:	kW (ref. table 6)
Total electrical loads:	=kW

Select generator: Commercial (add 20 to 25% to total kW)

Residential (add 10 to 20% to total kW)

- Confirm that voltage dip is within acceptable limits by comparing motor LRA to generator surge capability (see table #3).
- 5) Confirm UPS compatibility (see page 6).

#### System Capacity - Load Calculation

If the local municipality or state you are in has adopted the 2008 NEC Code, you may be required to use this step. Article 702 of the 2008 NEC includes a new requirement for sizing (702.5B). If no other method for sizing is acceptable, sizing of the generator shall be made in accordance with Article 220 of the NEC. The system capacity estimating sheet will guide you through this process.

#### **DLM Load Control Module**

702.5 (B) (2) (a) NEC 2008

The DLM Load Control Module is a 50 amp contact housed in a NEMA 3R enclosure for indoor and outdoor installation applications. Through the use of the DLM Modules in conjunction with any of the 100-400 amp Nexus Smart Switches, household or business loads can be intelligently managed enabling the use of a smaller, more efficient generator system. Up to four DLM Modules can be used with a single switch.

#### **Project Layout**

#### Ball Park Estimates (Do not use for final sizing)

Estimate based on 60% service size: (commercial)

240 Volts, 1 Ø:	Amps x .15 =	kW
208 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .22 =	kW
240 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .25 =	kW
480 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .50 =	kW

Estimate based on 40% service size: (residential)

240 Volts, 1 Ø:	Amps x .10 =	kW
208 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .15 =	kW
240 Volts, 3 Ø:	Amps x .17 =	kW
480 Volts. 3 Ø:	Amps x .34 =	kW

#### Estimate based on square footage

#### Amps to kW Rule of Thumb (assumes .8 pf)

For 480 volt systems Amps =  $kW \times 1.5$ For 208 volt systems Amps =  $kW \times 3.5$ For 240 volt 3 Ø systems Amps =  $kW \times 3$ For 240 volt 1 Ø systems Amps =  $kW \times 4$ 

# **System Capacity – Load Calculator**



DIRECTIONS FOR NEC 2008, ARTICLE 220,	PART IV
220.80 Optional Feeder and Service Load Calculations (RESIDENTIAL)	NEC REFERENCE
SECTION CAN BE USED FOR DWELLING UNITS	220.82 (A
Served by a single feeder conductor (generator)	
• 120/240 volt or 208Y/120 volt service	
Ampacity of 100 amps or greater	
The calcultated load will be the result of adding	
• 220.82 (B) General Loads, and	220.82 (B
• 220.82 (C) Heating and Air-Conditioning Load	220.82 (C
<ul> <li>Calculated neutral load determined by 220.61. (Additional 70% demand factor can be taken for cooking appliances and dryers when tables 220.54 and/or 220.55 are used)</li> </ul>	
GENERAL LOADS	220.82 (B
General Lighting and General-Use Receptacles	
Calculate at 3 VA per square foot	220.82 (B) (1
Use exterior dimensions of the home to calculate square footage – do not include open	n
porches, garages, or unused or unfinished spaces not adaptable for future use.	
Add 20-amp small appliance & laundry circuits @ 1500 VA each	220.82 (B) (2
Calculate the following loads at 100% of nameplate rating	220.82 (B) (3
Appliances fastened in place, permanently connected or located on a specific circuit	220.82 (B) (3) a
• Ranges, wall-mounted ovens, counter-mounted cooking units (Tables 220.54 & 220.5	5) 220.82 (B) (3) t
Clothes dryers not connected to the laundry branch circuit	220.82 (B) (3) (
Water heaters	220.82 (B) (3) (
Permanently connected motors not included in Heat & Air-Conditioning Load section	220.82 (B) (4
HEATING & AIR-CONDITIONING LOADS	220.82 (C
Include the largest of the following six selections (kVA load) in calculation	(0) (1)
Air Conditioning and Cooling	220.82 (C) (1
• 100% of nameplate rating	200 20 (2) (2
Heat Pumps Without Supplemental Electric Heating	220.82 (C) (2
• 100% of nameplate rating	220 82 (2) (2
Heat Pumps With Supplemental Electric Heating	220.82 (C) (3
<ul> <li>100% of nameplate rating of the heat pump compressor*</li> <li>65% of nameplate rating of supplemental electric heating equipment</li> </ul>	
If compressor & supplemental heat cannot run at the same time	
do not include the compressor	
Electric Space Heating	
Less than 4 separately controlled units @ 65% of nameplate rating	220.82 (C) (4
4 or more separately controlled units @ 40% of nameplate rating	220.82 (C) (5
40% of nameplate rating if 4 or more separately controlled units	220.02 (0) (0
Electric Thermal Storage (or system where the load is expected to be	220.82 (C) (6
continuous at nameplate rating	(-, (-, (-, (-, (-, (-, (-, (-, (-, (-,
• 100% of nameplate rating	
Systems of this type cannot be calculated under any other section of 220.82 (C).	
LOAD CALCULATIONS	
General Lighting Load	3 VA x ft²
Small Appliance & Laundry Circuits	+ 1500 VA per circuit
General Appliances & Motors (100% rated load)	+ Total general appliances
• Sum of all General Loads	= Total General Load (VA)
APPLY DEMAND FACTORS	
– First 10 kVA @ 100%	= 10,000 VA
- Remainder of General Loads @ 40%	(Total VA - 10,000) x .40
	= Calculated General Load (VA)
• HEAT / A-C LOAD @ 100%	Largest Heat or A-C Load (VA)
	= TOTAL CALCULATED LOAD

Converting VA TO kW (Single-phase applications with 1.0 power factor only) 1 kVA = 1 kW

220.54

Worksheet — NE	C 2008, 220 P	art IV			
Contractor		Email			
Phone		Fax			
Job Name					
Date	Location				
Voltage (Circle)	240V -1Ø				
Fuel		NG	LPV		
Elec. Service	100 Amp	200 Amp	400 Amp	Ot	her
NET SQUARE FOOTAGE					Loodo (IdA)
GENERAL LOADS	Qty	Rating (Load)	Factor	Loads (VA)	Loads (kW) (VA ÷ 1,000)
General Lighting and General Use Receptacles		3 VA/ft <sup>2</sup>	100%		
Branch Circuits (1500 VA/ft²)					
Small Appliance Circuits (20 Amp)		1500	100%		
Laundry Circuits		1500	100%		
Fixed Appliances		Full Curre	nt Rating		
Well			100%		
Sump Pump			100%		
Freezer			100%		
Microwave (Not counter-top model)			100%		
Disposal			100%		
Dishwasher			100%		
Range (See Table 220.55 for multiple cooking appliances)			100%		
Wall-Mounted Oven		+	100%		
Counter-Mounted Cooking Surface		<del>                                     </del>	100%		
Water Heater			100%		
Clothes Dryer			100%		
Garage Door Opener			100%		
Septic Grinder			100%		
Other (list)			100%		
			100%		
			100%		
			100%		
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			100%		
			100%		
Total General Loads			10070	VA	kW
HEAT / A-C LOAD				•///	, , , ,
A-C / Cooling Equipment			100%		
Heat Pump		1			
Compressor (if not included as A-C)			100%		
Supplemental Electric Heat		+	65%	+	
Electric Space Heating		+	00 /0	+	1
Less than 4 separately controlled units		+	65%	+	+
		-		+	-
4 or more separately controlled units  Custom With Continuous Negrophyte Load		<del>                                     </del>	40%	<del>                                     </del>	<del>                                     </del>
System With Continuous Nameplate Load		-	100%	-	1
Largest Heat / A-C Load (VA) VA kW	l				L
GENERAL LOADS					
• 1st 10 kW of General Loads 100% kW			100%	kW	
Remaining General Loads (kW) 40% kW			40%	kW	
CALCULATED GENERAL LOAD (kW) kW					kW
LARGEST HEAT / A-C LOAD 100% kW kW					kW
TOTAL CALCULATED LOAD (Net General Loads + Heat/A-C Load)					1347
					kW

# **NOTES**



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