

Procedure for Restoration of Electrical Power in Areas affected by Natural Occurrences such as Storms, Floods, Ice, etc

The Louisville/Jefferson County Department of Codes and Regulations has developed this set of guidelines to follow in order to restore power to businesses and residences in areas affected by natural occurrences.

1. Restoration of Service. If the electrical service/power supplying the structure was damaged or submerged the service will be turned off by LG&E.
 - a. If service equipment was damaged or submerged a permit must first be obtained from the Department of Codes and Regulations to make any necessary repairs. An inspection of the work shall be performed by an electrical inspector of Codes and Regulations. Once the work passes inspection, the electrical inspector will contact LG&E to restore the power.
 - b. If no equipment was damaged or submerged please call 502-574-3321 between the hours of 7:30am till 4:30pm Monday - Friday in order to schedule an inspection by an electrical inspector to verify that there is no damage to the electrical system. Once the condition of the electrical system has been verified the inspector will contact LG&E to re-connect the electrical service.
2. Necessary Repairs.
 - a. All electrical equipment such as electrical panels, breakers, receptacles, switches, lights, and appliances that were submerged in water or has been damaged must be replaced according to the current national electrical code.
 - b. If the electrical service was damaged or submerged an electrical permit must be obtained from us and an inspection performed before power can be restored to the structure.
3. Getting a permit.
 - a. Electrical Contractor - A permit may be obtained by a licensed electrical contractor hired by the owner. A licensed electrical contractor has the ability to obtain permits online outside of normal business hours.
 - b. Home Owner's permit - If the residence is occupied by the owner, the owner may obtain the permit from our office between the hours of 7:30am till 4:00pm to perform the work themselves. The fee for a residential permit including one inspection is \$50.00.
4. Accessory or secondary structures that are inaccessible because of high water, fallen debris, etc and are fed from a residence must be disconnected from the residence until accessibility to the accessory/secondary structure is restored (such as removal of fallen debris or the water has receded enough) to make any necessary repairs and electrical inspections.

For questions about these procedures please call 502-574-3321.