



## So, you have had enough of load shedding?

If you are reading this, it means you have made a decision to invest in something that will take load shedding out of your life. If you have already decided what you need, awesome, we hope it works out perfectly for your needs. If however you know you want a solution, but you are not 100% sure what you need, you have come to the right place with a 5 step guide on what you need to do.

### STEP 1

We need to figure out what you are looking for

1. Are you looking for a simple load-shedding solution? A backup system that will keep the lights on during load shedding. Less expensive.
2. A solar solution? This solution will keep the lights on during load shedding, but also give you the ability to generate some of your own power, and in time reduce costs of relying 100% on the grid. More expensive now, but savings in the long term.

### STEP 2

If it is just a load shedding backup solution, you are going to need to choose between two options.

1. Generators – see our Guide to sustainable energy and water [click here](#).
2. Inverter and batteries – see our Guide to sustainable energy and water [click here](#).

Our load shedding solutions guide contains plenty of info on these options. The third option is the solar solution. The next step will apply to sizing your requirements.

### STEP 3

Now we need to figure out what size solution you need. [Click here](#) to use our useful inverter size calculator.

On the calculator, select each of the appliances that would need to run of your load shedding or solar solution. If you have more than one appliance, specify the quantity and that will calculate the size of the inverter/generator you need.

### STEP 4

Talk to SA Home Loans. Let your home loan help you finance your load shedding or solar solution. These solutions are not cheap, but letting your home loan work for you makes it very affordable. If you're an existing SA Home Loans client, talk to us about further lending options. If you have a loan with another institution, talk to us about switching your home loan, access the equity in your property to switch load shedding off!

### STEP 5

Last step. You know or have a good idea what you are looking for. You know you have finance available, It is time to talk to the suppliers and installers. It is absolutely imperative that you use the services of a professional for both the supply and installation of your load shedding or solar solution.

This will ensure a professional job is done, all certification is included, and allows you to insure the equipment on your home owners cover policy. Given the value this is critical.

Remember to advise your home loan provider of any changes you have made to your property, including any solar installations.

We have gone out to the market and have put together a list of suppliers and installers for you to consider doing business with. We have checked to make sure all of the vendors on this list provide a quality product and service.