Shut-offs

Where the water, power and gas shut off in this house.

Main water valve

Where the water line comes into the house. Turn the wheel clockwise until it stops, or the lever across the pipe.

Cannot reach it dry? Call the water company to shut it at the street.

WHERE

WATER COMPANY

Water heater

Smell gas? Leave now. Call 911 from outside.

Electric: switch off its breaker first. At the panel, the double breaker for the water heater. Flip it to OFF with dry hands, on a dry floor. Cannot reach the panel dry? Leave it and call.

Gas: close the gas valve. On the gas pipe going into the tank. Turn the handle so it crosses the pipe. No handle? Turn the dial on the tank to OFF.

Close the cold-water valve. On the pipe above the tank. Turn it clockwise until it stops, or turn the lever across the pipe. Electric and the breaker still on? Skip this.

WHERE

FUEL

Main breaker

Only if the panel is dry, cool and quiet. The large breaker, usually at the top. Switch off the main.

Hot, wet, buzzing, sparking or smelling: keep everyone back. Call 911. The fire department can cut the power at the meter.

PANEL IS IN

POWER COMPANY

Gas

Smell gas? Leave now. Call 911 from outside.

Switch nothing on or off. No lights, no phone, no garage door opener. The gas company shuts the gas.

METER IS

GAS COMPANY

Toilet the valve behind it · **Sink** the valves under the sink · **Washer** the two valves behind it · **Dishwasher** the valve under the sink. Turn each clockwise until it stops.

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