



**POLICY: PROVISION OF FREE BASIC
ELECTRICITY (FBE)**

2026/2027 FINANCIAL YEAR



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FBE ALLOCATION IS 50 kWh units per month.

Note: Electricity used for business purposes is excluded from the free basic electricity allocation.

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines to determine a uniform approach for the allocation of free basic electricity (FBE) to residents of the Municipality.

2. ELIGIBILITY

The FBE is only applicable to residential households

- that are registered as Indigent Households in terms of the Indigent Policy of the municipality and
- that have a prepaid electricity meter installed at their homes

3. BENEFIT

Residential households that meet the eligibility criterion to receive FBE will be allocated 50kWh of electricity at no charge on a monthly basis.

Unused allocations from one month may not be accumulated nor carried forward to the next month

The benefit applies to all Indigent residential household that meet the eligibility criteria, notwithstanding whether electricity is supplied by the municipality or directly by Eskom.

1. IMPLEMENTATION DATE

The policy will be effective as from 1 July 2026.
