

Medical Certification Form

To physicians and public health officials:

This form has been approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission for your use in verifying a medical condition of this patient that justifies a hold on shutting off utility service.

Instructions

A customer may provide a signed medical emergency hold request to postpone the discontinuance of utility service or restore service. For power to remain on, this certificate needs to be completed and returned to your utility within 3 business days. If utility service is a necessity, you must make other arrangements for on-site back-up capabilities or other alternatives in the event of loss of service.

If a customer submits a medical emergency hold request signed by a physician or public health official, along with the additional required information listed below, DTE Energy will suspend shutoff action for at least 21 days and services will be restored, where applicable. The customer may be charged a deposit to the account for service restoration due to disconnection for non-payment.

Approval of this form does not prevent shut offs indefinitely. You must take steps to resolve unpaid bills to avoid service termination in the future. We encourage you to visit <u>our website</u> to find available programs to assist with paying energy bills. You may also contact the United Way by dialing 211 for free, confidential service linking people with local community-based organizations across the state that can help with utility assistance and other needs.

Definitions

A **medical emergency** is an existing medical condition of the customer or a member of the customer's household, as defined and certified by a physician or public health official on this medical certification form, that will be aggravated by the lack of utility service. A utility shall postpone disconnection for no longer than 21 days if the customer or member of customer's household has a certified medical emergency. Please note, additional certificates are required to extend postponement of shutoff. Postponement of shutoff for medical emergency conditions shall not exceed 63 days.

Critical care customer means any customer who requires, or has a household member who requires home medical equipment or a life support system, and who, on an annual basis, provides this medical certification form from a physician or medical facility, to the utility, identifying the medical equipment or life-support system and certifies that an interruption of service would be immediately life-threatening. Disconnection of utility service for critical care customers shall be postponed on an annual basis. A new Medical Certification Form must be completed and submitted.

To make a request for a medical hold, please follow all instructions:

- Section 1 of the Medical Certification Form is to be completed by the resident of the household requiring a Medical Emergency Hold or by legal parent or guardian if patient is under the age of 18.
- 2. **Section 2** of the Medical Certification Form is to be completed by the DTE Energy customer of record or account holder.
- 3. Section 3 of the Medical Certification Form is to be completed by a physician or public health official.
- 4. **Return the completed form** to DTE Energy via our <u>website</u> or email us at <u>MedicalHold@dteenergy.com</u>.

This form must be complete and legible to be processed. All information is required unless otherwise indicated. Completed forms will be processed within one business day. If you have any questions, please call DTE Energy at 800.477.4747.



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For service to remain on, all sections of this form must be completed, legible and returned to the utility within 3 business days. Incomplete forms will not be considered.

I understand that DTE Energy cannot guarantee continuous utility service and it is my responsibility to maintain a backup system or have an alternate plan in the event of such loss. Use of this certificate form does not provide any rights to the customer regarding service restoration in the event of an unexpected outage.

Section 1

The following information is to be completed by the patient.

Patient's Name		
Date of Birth		
Relationship to the DTE Customer or Acco	unt Holder	
Self Other		
Home/Cell Phone	Work	
or third parties authorized by the u utility service is not guaranteed, an of utility service. I certify that the p	provider(s) to release the medical information included on this medical certification tility, to assist with the review, approval, and processing of this request. I understed it is my responsibility to maintain a backup system or have an alternate plantion at the address listed below and that all information provided is accurated also agree to notify the company when this medical hold is no longer necessary	stand that continuous in the event of a loss urate. If I meet the
Signature of Patient, Legal Guardian or Po	wer of Attorney	
Date		

Section 2



The following information is to be completed by the DTE customer or account holder.

Customer's Name (printed)			
Customer's Address			
City	State	ZIP Code	
Home/Cell Phone Number			
Work Phone			
Email			
DTE Energy Account Number			
Type of Service:			
Electric Gas			
I certify the information above record residing at this address.		the customer of record or a household member of the customer of	
Customer's Signature		Date	

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Section 3

Signature



The following information is to be completed by a physician or public health official.

Please select one of the following conditions by checking one of the boxes below. **Medical Emergency Patient** Patient suffers from an existing medical condition that will be aggravated by the lack of utility service. A utility shall postpone disconnection for no longer than 21 days if the customer or member of customer's household has a certified medical emergency. Please note, additional certificates are required to extend postponement of shutoff. Postponement of shutoff for medical emergency conditions shall not exceed 63 days. I certify that the patient has the following medical emergency condition(s) that will be aggravated by the loss of electricity and/or natural gas service. Condition(s) Equipment: Time Period: **Critical Care Patient** Patient uses life-supporting medical equipment at home and termination of the utility service would be immediately life threatening. Disconnection of utility service for Critical Care Patients shall be postponed on an annual basis. A new Medical Certification Form must be completed and submitted annually to be renewed. The following life-support system(s) or medical equipment is/are used by the patient: Equipment: Additional Comments (if any): Please check one. **Public Health Official Physician** License Number Physician's Name Job title (if not a physician) **Business Address Business Phone Number** Fax Number I certify that the patient identified on this form has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge, information provided is true, and that, in checking the selected box and signing this form, the patient meets the criteria of a "Medical Emergency Patient" or a "Critical Care Patient."

Date