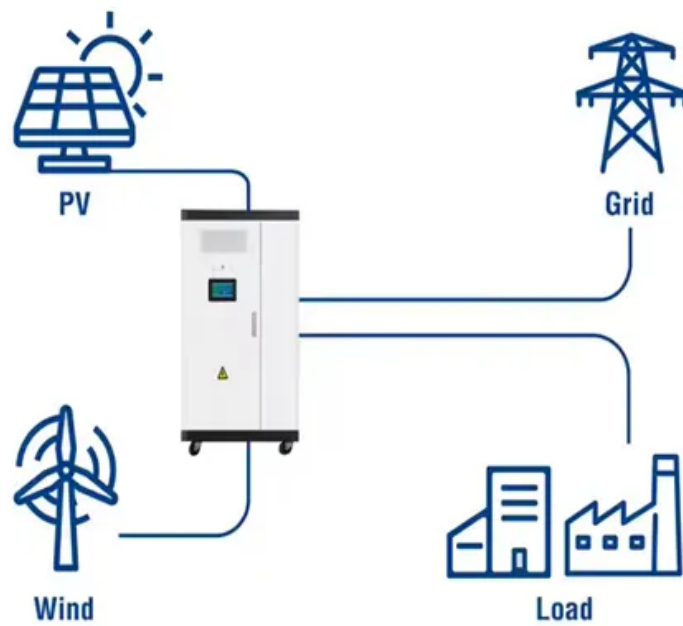


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# How do wind farm generators blow fast

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## Overview

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How does a wind generator work?

The generator turns that rotational energy into electricity. At its essence, generating electricity from the wind is all about transferring energy from one medium to another. Wind power all starts with the sun. When the sun heats up a certain area of land, the air around that land mass absorbs some of that heat.

How does a wind farm work?

First let's start with the visible parts of the wind farm that we're all used to seeing - those towering white or pale grey turbines. Each of these turbines consists of a set of blades, a box beside them called a nacelle and a shaft. The wind - even just a gentle breeze - makes the blades spin, creating kinetic energy.

How does a wind turbine work?

The design of the turbine is optimized for operating at a specific wind speed range. When wind speed increases, the rotor blades rotate faster, which produces more electricity. As wind speed decreases, the rotor blades rotate slower, meaning less electricity is produced.

How much power does a wind turbine generate?

Even larger wind turbines can be found perched on towers that stand 240 meters (787 feet) tall have rotor blades more than 162 meters (531 feet) long. These large turbines can generate anywhere from 4.8 to 9.5 megawatts of power. Once the electricity is generated, it can be used, connected to the electrical grid, or stored for future use.

How fast does a wind turbine go?

Keep in mind that as a rotor diameter increases, the height of the tower increases as well, which means more access to faster winds. At 33 mph, most

large turbines generate their rated power capacity, and at 45 mph (20 meters per second), most large turbines shut down.

How is electricity produced in a wind turbine?

The amount of electricity produced is measured in kilowatt-hours (kWh). The rotor blades of a wind turbine are designed to rotate at a specific rate in order to produce the most efficient amount of electricity. The design of the turbine is optimized for operating at a specific wind speed range.

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### Wind power , Your questions answered , National Grid ...

Do turbines need fast wind speeds to generate a good amount of wind power? It's not the speed, but the consistency of wind that produces the most wind power. Wind turbines will generally operate between 7mph ...

### How Wind Power Works

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### How a Wind Turbine Works

A wind turbine turns wind energy into electricity using the aerodynamic force from the rotor blades, which work like an airplane wing or helicopter rotor blade. When wind flows across the blade, the air pressure on one side of the blade decreases.

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