



ELECTRICAL SAFETY

HOW TO AVOID AN ELECTRICAL SHOCK

- ⚡ Do not touch electrical cords that are broken or have wire showing.
- ⚡ Do not play with or bite electrical cords.
- ⚡ Do not stick fingers or any other objects into light sockets, appliances or electrical outlets.
- ⚡ Do not overload outlets with too many plugs.
- ⚡ Do not pull on cords to unplug things. Hold on to the plug itself.
- ⚡ Do not touch anything electrical while you are wet or standing in or near water. If you ever find that a power line has fallen, STAY AWAY FROM IT and immediately tell an adult, who can call SWEPCO.
- ⚡ Do not fly kites, model airplanes or balloons near power lines.
- ⚡ Do not climb power poles or trees close to power lines.
- ⚡ Do not touch or go next to electrical equipment.
- ⚡ Stay away from anything that says “Danger,” “High Voltage,” or “Keep Out.”
- ⚡ Tell your parents to keep ladders and TV antennas away from power lines.
- ⚡ NEVER go near electrical substations.
- ⚡ Don’t touch a fence if you see a fallen wire nearby. It could be energized.



ELECTRICAL SAFETY ACTIVITY

Using this checklist, ask an adult to help you inspect your home. If you find that an item is safe, circle the 😊 next to that item, but if an item is unsafe, circle the 😞 next to that item, and then ask the adult to correct the hazard(s) to help make your home safer.

CHECKLIST

- 1. Electrical appliances are used away from water.
- 2. Electrical cords are in good condition.
- 3. Electrical outlets have one plug in each of the two outlets.
- 4. Small appliances are unplugged when not in use.
- 5. Electrical appliances that get hot are kept away from things that could burn (light bulbs, heaters, toasters, and etc.).
- 6. A multipurpose fire extinguisher is kept in the home.
- 7. Extension cords are for temporary use only, not plugged in and left in place.
- 8. Gown-ups carry appliances by the handles not the cord.

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