



The power is yours, HOME ELECTRICAL SAFETY GUIDELINES

Home Wiring

- Always call a qualified electrician to do any wiring in your home.
- Application for supply should be made well in advance of the date the supply is required. This can be made at any of the Commission's Service Centers.
- It is advisable that customers consult with T&TEC to determine the best location of the point of supply for a new installation or a modified installation.
- Before the Commission connects an installation to its system, it must be presented with an inspection certificate of approval (obtained from the Electrical Inspectorate Division, Ministry of Public Utilities).

Fuses

- If a fuse blows, turn off all appliances and lights on the circuit before changing the fuse.
- Replace a blown fuse with one of the correct rating – never with a higher one.
- Periodically check that plug-type fuses are snug. A loose fuse can overheat.

Cords and Plugs

- When disconnecting an appliance, pull the plug, not the cord.
- Keep all cords away from heat and water.
- If multiple electrical connections are required.
- Do not break off or bypass the third prong of a plug. It's there because it's needed for safety reasons.
- Never use cords or plugs that show any wear or damage.
- Do not place a cord under a carpet, through a doorway or anywhere that it could be stepped on.
- Never remove a plug when your hands are wet or when touching a metal object.

Extension Cords

- Keep your extension cords away from water.
- Do not use a two pronged extension cord outdoors.
- Always use extension cords that are properly rated for the load.
- Never break off or bypass the grounding prong on a three-pronged plug.
- Worn cords can cause shocks and fires. Do not use them!
- When removing a plug from a socket, pull on the plug and not on the cord.

Appliances

- Unplug the toaster before prying out toast that is wedged in.
- Never use electrical tools or appliances near water.
- When buying appliances look for the yellow energy guide labels.

Power Tools

- Always unplug power tools when they are not in use or when changing an attachment on them.
- Do not stand on a damp floor or wet grass when operating power tools.

Outdoors

- Use ground fault circuit interrupters on all plugs located outdoors.
- Keep your radio and appliances away from swimming pools or wet surfaces.
- Never prune or cut down a tree near a power line.
- If you have an underground electrical service, before digging identify overhead and underground power lines
- Call before you dig? You could hit a buried cable, conduit or gas pipeline and run the risk of loss of life or damage to property.

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