



ELECTRICAL SAFETY TIPS

Electricity is always seeking a path to ground. This path is called a conductor. The human body is a very good conductor of electricity. The following are a few tips avoid becoming that path to ground:

- Always be aware of any overhead power lines.
- In case of a storm, move indoors before tragedy strikes.
- Lightning can travel through wiring and water pipes, so unplug appliances.
- Stay at least 15 feet away from downed power lines. Call DSC if you see a downed line.
- If a power line falls on your vehicle after an accident, stay in your vehicle unless there is a fire. If a fire hazard is present and you must get out, jump clear of the car without touching the ground and the vehicle at the same time. Try to land with both feet together. Never touch the vehicle and the ground at the same time.
- Water and electricity are a deadly combination. Install G.F.I. breakers in your kitchen, bathrooms and outside receptacles. Keep electrical appliances away from water.
- Do not use frayed electrical cords.
- If you have small children, keep unused electrical outlets covered.
- Electricity is a major cause of building fires. Make sure your electrical circuits and outlets are not overloaded.
- Do not plant trees near power lines. Tall trees can cause power disruptions and downed lines. Tree roots can cause damage to underground wires.
- Do not fly kites near power lines. Call DSC if your kite gets caught in a power line.
- Do not climb trees near power lines.