

MAY IS NATIONAL ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

Plug into safety this month by following these five tips to avoid electrical hazards:

- 1. Plug heaters and fans directly into the wall. Using an extension cord or power strip with a space heater or fan could cause the cord to overheat and result in a fire.
- 2. Never pull a plug out of a wall socket by the cord. Remove the plug by pulling on the plastic housing around the plug itself.
- 3. Never use water to put out an electrical fire. Use a fire extinguisher or baking soda instead.
- 4. Make sure electrical products meet industry safety standards. Look for a label from an independent testing lab, like Underwriters Laboratories.
- 5. Install Tamper Resistant Receptacles (TRRs). These receptacles are designed to prevent foreign objects from being inserted into an outlet. This can help protect small children who may try to put fingers, keys, paperclips or other household items into an outlet.

Find more safety tips at novec.com/safety, or follow us on Facebook and Twitter for safety information, energy-saving tips and more.



Powering a New Generation



NOVEC provides renewable energy and recently committed to even more solar.

Once new solar projects are completed in 2023, NOVEC will provide enough renewable energy to power 100,000 homes. Members may also purchase solar panels now through NOVEC Solutions.

Protecting the environment. Providing reliable, safe, affordable electricity. Because future generations are depending on it.



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KEEP THE AREA NEAR YOUR METER CLEAR

For the safety of NOVEC employees and contractors, electric meters located on your residence must be kept accessible to NOVEC service technicians. Obstructions such as plants, fences, shrubbery, and other lawn items can block NOVEC personnel's safe access to equipment. No plant material or obstructions may be placed within 5 feet from the front of the meter, up to a height of 7 feet. There should be a 3-foot-wide access corridor to the meter available for NOVEC personnel.

If a NOVEC technician is unable to access your residential electric meter due to an obstruction, you will receive a written notice that the obstructions must be removed or cleared away to provide safe access. You may choose to let NOVEC remove the obstructions instead of clearing them away yourself.

