

ELECTRICAL FIRES

BE SAFE.

Check cords often for damage such as fraying or nicks. A damaged cord can expose wires and result in a potential shock or fire hazard.

PROTECT YOUR FAMILY.

- Avoid running cords under rugs, which can damage the cord and cause a fire.
- Extension cords should be used only as a temporary connection. If permanent wiring is required, have additional outlets installed by a licensed electrician.
- Extension cords should not be linked together - use an extension cord that is long enough to do the job.
- Air conditioners, space heaters and other heavy appliances should be plugged directly into an outlet, not in an extension cord or power bar.
- Avoid "octopus outlets" (clusters of wires and plugs) - this may overload the outlet and lead to an electrical fire.



**Statistics for Ontario provided by the Office of the Fire Marshal & Emergency Management.*



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