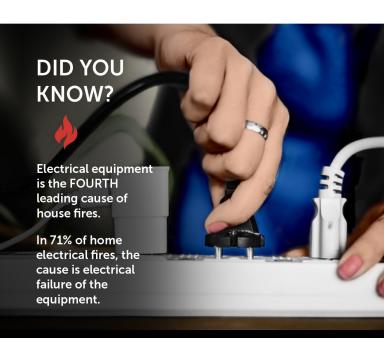
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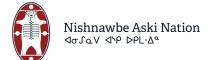


THINK ABOUT FIRE BEFORE IT STARTS

Prevent electrical fires

ELECTRICAL FIRES IN THE HOME ARE ONE OF THE MOST PREVENTABLE TYPES OF FIRES.





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.

