



Appliances

Don't take your appliances for granted! Taking a moment to check appliances can save lives.

The Electrical Safety Foundation International offers the following tips:

- To make sure appliances are in good condition, look for breaks in power cords, plugs or connectors.
- An appliance which repeatedly blows a fuse or trips a circuit breaker could indicate a defect that may cause a fire or electrical shock. Unplug the appliance immediately and have it repaired or replace.
- Unplug any appliance that has given you an electrical shock and do not use it until it has been checked and repaired by a qualified technician.
- Remember, electricity and water don't mix. Keep all electrical cords and products such as radios, TVs, hairdryers and curling irons away from water in a sink or tub.
- If an appliance repeatedly blows a fuse, trips a circuit breaker or if it has given you a shock, unplug it and have it repaired or replaced.
- Keep appliance cords as short as possible to avoid accidents such as tripping or knocking the appliance over.