Avoid a shock: is your protection robust?

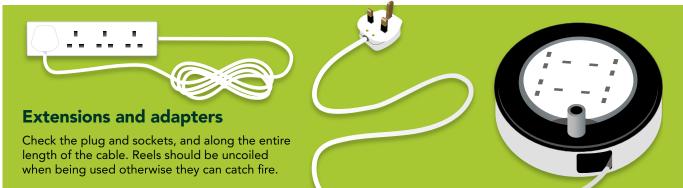
Electricity is a common source of fires as well as serious injuries and even death. It is important that you keep safe by always checking equipment for common hazards before use. These checks don't require any electrical knowledge or skill but can make a big difference to your safety and to that of those around you.





the cable, twisting or repairs with adhesive tape.









Labels

Check for a valid inspection and testing label if appropriate.



Test

Look for a 'T' or test button on RCD devices. Always press before use to check the RCD trips and disconnects the equipment.

Anything failing these checks must be taken out of service and labelled with a warning to others. All incidents of failed equipment should be reported and logged.

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