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Monthly Safety Tip For Multi-Family Housing

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Electrical Safety

Check your electrical appliances and wiring before using.

Never overload an outlet by plugging too many items into it.

If needed, use surge protectors to add outlets. They will provide additional protection.

Avoid chaining multiple extension cords and surge protectors together.

Keep wires out in the open, don't cover them up. Make sure extension cords are not running across doorways or under carpets. Extension cords are intended for temporary use.

Heat-producing appliances such as a coffee maker, toaster, and space heater should be monitored when used and plugged directly into an outlet.

Frayed wires can cause fires! Immediately replace all worn, old, or damaged appliance cords.

Never leave bathroom fans on for an extended period of time – turn them off when not in use and replace them when they start making noise.

Keep electrical appliances away from wet floors and counters. Pay special care to electrical appliances in the bathroom and kitchen.

When buying electrical appliances, look for products that meet the (UL) standard for safety.

Keep clothes, curtains, and other items that can burn at least three feet from all heaters.

Immediately unplug, then professionally replace, wall outlets that are warm to the touch, discolored, or starting to melt.

Use safety closures to "child-proof" electrical outlets.



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