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# ELECTRICAL SAFETY AND NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE 2011

- AT A GLANCE



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Electricity is inseparable part of our life but it is also life taking factor if not handled properly. Anyone can be exposed to electrical hazards at home or work. Electricity not only utilized in every industry it is also a major industry. Precaution, awareness, rules and regulations can make the proper path to flow the current in safe and usable manner.

#### **ELECTRICAL HAZARD**

Electrical hazard is potential to cause harm due to exposure of situation when a person come in contact with energized part of apparatus or conductor and feel the shock, encountered with injuries, burn etc.

#### Three factors determine the resistance of a substance to the flow of electricity:

- What it is made of.
- •Its size.
- •Its temperature.
- Substances with very little resistance to the flow of electrical current are called conductors. Examples are metals.
- Substances with such a high resistance that they can be used to prevent the flow of electrical current are called *insulators*. Examples are glass, porcelain, plastic, and dry wood.
- Pure water is a poor conductor of electricity, but small amounts of impurities, such as salt and acid (perspiration contains both), make it a ready conductor. Therefore, although dry wood is a poor conductor, when saturated with water it becomes a ready conductor.
- ❖ The same is true of human skin. When skin is dry, it is a poor conductor of electrical current. When it is moist, it readily conducts electricity. Use extreme caution when working with electricity where there is water in the environment or on the skin.

### HOW ELECTRICAL CURRENT AFFECTS THE HUMAN

Factors affect the severity of the shock a person receives when he or she is a part of an electrical circuit:

- Amount of current flowing through the body (measured in amperes).
- Path of the current through the body.
- Length of time the body is in the circuit.
- The voltage of the current.
- The presence of moisture in the environment.
- The phase of the heart cycle when the shock occurs.



# **HOW SHOCKS OCCUR**

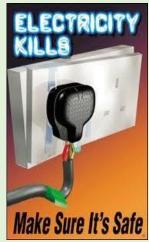


Electric shock occurs in one of three ways. Individuals, while in contact with the ground, must come in contact with:









Both wires of an energized circuit.

One wire of an energized circuit and the ground.

A metallic part in contact with an energized wire while the person is also in contact with the ground.

# How different levels of exposure to electricity can affect people



<b>Current level (in milliamperes)</b>	Probable effect on human body	
0.5 mA	Perception level. Slight tingling sensation. Still	
	dangerous under certain conditions.	
5 mA	Slight shock felt; not painful but disturbing. Average	
	individual can let go. However, strong involuntary	
	reactions to shocks in this range may lead to injuries.	
6-30 mA	Painful shock, muscular control is lost. This is called the	
	freezing current or "letgo" range.	
50-150 mA	Extreme pain, respiratory arrest, severe muscular	
	contractions. Individual cannot let go. Death is possible.	
1000-4300 mA	Ventricular fibrillation (the rhythmic pumping action of	
	the heart ceases.) Muscular contraction and nerve	
	damage occur. Death is most likely.	
10,000 mA	Cardiac arrest, severe burns and probable death.	





# NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE 2011 SP 30 : 2011

(First Revision)

#### THEME OF THE CODE

India is on the path of development and its infrastructure sector has grown progressively. The buildings and services so constructed depend on power for their construction and effective utilization. In fact, power is one of the prime movers of development and electrical energy is the predominant form of energy being used due to ease of generation/conversion, transmission, and final utilization.

Specific regulations, to be adhered to in the supply and use of electrical energy, had been laid down by the *Indian Electricity Act* and the *Indian Electricity Rules* framed thereunder. The agencies involved have varied practices in view of their diverse interests and different accessibility levels to technological developments. In order to unify these practices, India's National Electrical Code provides a compendium of several well established codes of practice which provided assistance on economic selection, installation and maintenance of electrical equipment employed in the usage of electrical energy. The code complemented and elaborated on the *Indian Electricity Rules* for the ease of application by the system engineers by recommending the best practices for electrical installations in a consolidated form.

The National Electrical Code is intended to be advisory. It contains guidelines, which can be immediately adopted for use by the various interests concerned. Its provisions are presently not mandatory but are expected to serve as a model for adoption in the interest of safety and economy and with the intent to keep our electrical installation practices at par with the best practices in the world.

#### What does National Electrical Code 2011 cover?

The National Electrical Code covers the following:

- a) Standard good practices for selection of various items of electrical equipment forming part of power systems;
- b) Recommendations concerning safety and related matter in the wiring of electrical installations of buildings or industrial structures, promoting compatibility between such recommendations and those concerning the equipment installed.
- c) General safety procedures and practices in electrical work; and
- d) Additional precautions to be taken for use of electrical equipment for special environmental conditions like explosive and active atmosphere.

The National Electrical Code applies to electrical installations such as those in:

- a) Standby/emergency generating plants and building substations;
- b) Domestic dwellings;
- c) Office buildings, shopping and commercial centres and institutions;
- d) Recreation and other public premises;
- e) Medical establishments;
- f) Hotels;
- g) Sports buildings;
- h) Industrial premises;
- i) Temporary and permanent outdoor installations;
- j) Agricultural premises; and
- k) Installations in hazardous areas.
- Solar Photovoltaic installations

The Code applies to circuits other than the internal wiring of apparatus.

The Code does not apply to traction, motor vehicles, installations in rolling-stock, on board-ships, aircraft or installations in underground mines.

The Code covers only electrical aspects of lightning protection of buildings and in so far as the effects of lightning on the electrical installations are concerned. It does not cover lightning protection aspects from structural safety point of view.

The Code is also not intended to apply to:

- a) Systems of distribution of energy to public; and
- b) Power generation and transmission for such systems.

The Code also does not cover guidelines on the payment for electrical work done in installations.

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	Section 2	Terminology	Covers definitions based on International electrotechnical vocabulary	
	Section 3	Graphical Symbols for Diagrams, Letter Symbols and Signs	Covers graphical symbols for diagrams, letter, symbols and signs used in installation diagrams	
	Section 4	Guide for Preparation of Diagrams, Charts, Tables, and Marking	<ul> <li>✓ Various diagrams and charts are to be prepared during planning and execution, for the sake of uniformity, different types of diagrams, charts, tables and marking have been defined.</li> <li>✓ Paper sizes are also referred</li> </ul>	
	Section 5	Units and Systems of Measurement	Covers units and systems of measurement in electrotechnology in accordance with International System of Units (SI)	

Se	ection 6	Standard Values	Covers standard values of ac and dc distribution voltages, preferred values of current ratings and standard system frequency.
Se	ection 7	Fundamental Principles	<ul> <li>✓ Enumerates the fundamental principles of design and execution of electrical installations.</li> <li>✓ Covers aspects such as materials (to conform to relevant IS), workmanship, competency</li> </ul>
Se	ection 8	Assessment of General Characteristics of Buildings	Recommended method of identification of the external influences on the electrical installation such as environment, utilization and method of construction of the building.
Se	ection 9	Wiring Installations	Covers essential design and constructional requirements for electrical wiring installation
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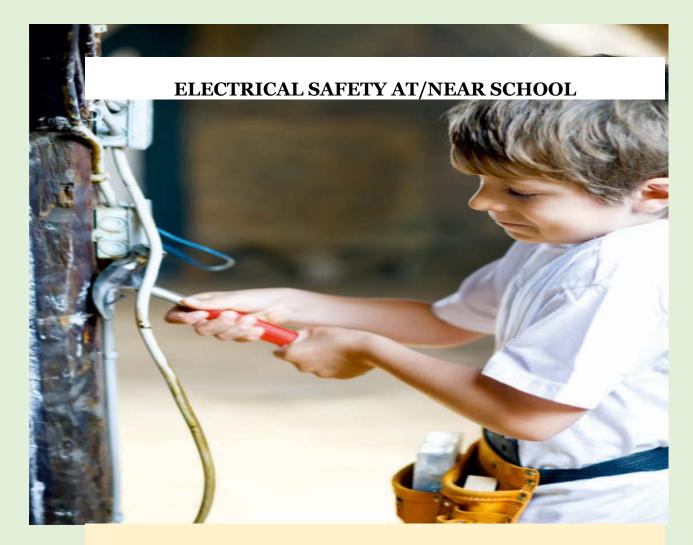




# **How to Avoid Hazards?**

- ✓ All the electrical material used must be ☐ marked.
- ✓ The electrification work shall be entrusted to qualified and licensed electrical contractor only.
- ✓ Adequate capacity of MCB or ELCB/RCCB shall be provided in the installation as per standard.
- ✓ Poor quality and undersize wire shall not be used.
- ✓ Joints shall be avoided in the wiring and if necessary then shall be insulated with insulating tap.
- ✓ Storage of flammable material near electric panel, circuit breaker and switch room, working in wet humid condition leads to electrical accidents.
- ✓ Always turn off the device before unplugging it or plugging it.
- ✓ Never use equipment with frayed cords, damaged insulation or broken plugs.
- ✓ Public especially children shall be made aware about dangers associated with power lines and electrical networks.
- ✓ Keep electrical wires of equipment away from hot surfaces to prevent damage of the insulation.





- 1. Schools should be located far away from the substations or supply lines.
- 2. Open distribution box, junction box, street box etc should not be there either in the school or in the way to school.
- 3. Transformers should be fenced adequately and properly.

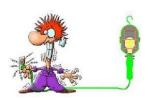
### DO's

- a. DO ask for help when you need to use electrical equipment.
- b. DO have safety caps on all unused electrical items

## Dont's

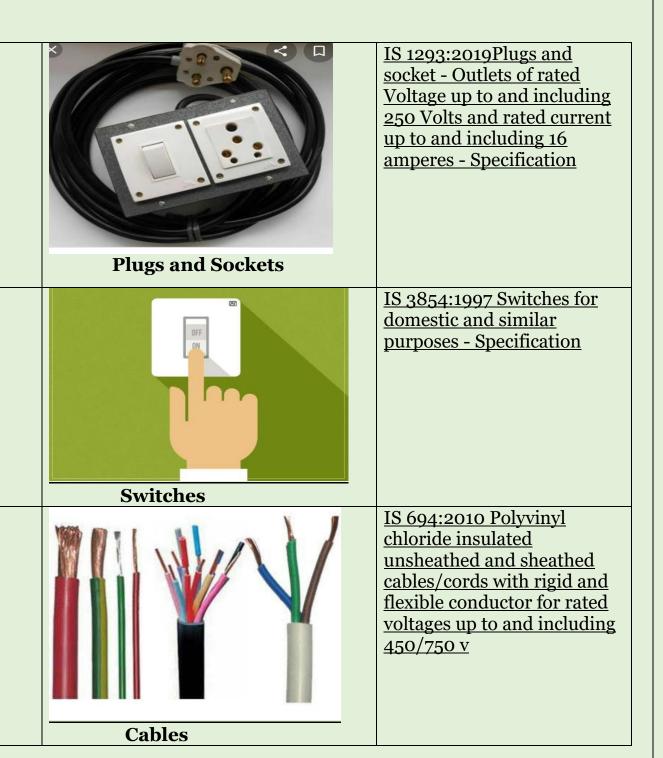
- a. DON't ever climb the fence around a electrical substation.
- b. DON't take shelter under any structure in rain/storm that has supply lines in its vicinity.





# IMPORTANT SAFETY STANDARDS INSIDE OUR HOUSE

S.No	<b>Products/Application</b>	<u>Indian Standard</u>
1	Electrical Installation	IS 732:2019 Code of practice for electrical wiring installations (Fourth Revision)
2	EARTHING	IS 3043:2018 Code of practice for earthing (Second Revision)



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ELECTRICITY METER	IS 13779:1999 AC static watihour meters, class 1 and 2 - Specification
LED BULB	IS 16102(Part 1) Self-Ballasted LED Lamps for General Lighting Services Part 1 Safety Requirements
CEILING FANS	IS 374:2019 Specification for electric ceiling type fans and regulators

# **FIRST AID**





### **FIRST AID**

- > A person getting electric shock needs to be disconnected from the source of power. The disconnecting switch/breaker should be identified and turned off.
- > Unfortunately, if connected device cannot be located, the victim can be pried or pulled from the circuit by an insulated object such as dry wood board, piece of non-metallic conduit or rubber electrical cord.
- > Immediate medical response should be provided to victims i.e check for breathing and pulse, then apply Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) as necessary to maintain oxygenation.
- > If a victim is still conscious, he needs to be closely monitored and cared -for until trained emergency response personnel arrive.
- > The victim should be kept warm and comfortable to avoid danger of physiological shock.



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Safeguard Yourself

If a patient collapses due to ELECTRIC SHOCK, break the circuit by switching off the current at the mains, removing the plug or wrenching the cable free. If unable to reach the cable, socket or mains, use or stand on some DRY non-conducting material and using a broom, safety hook, wooden chair or stool, push the casualty away from the source of electricity 🐼. Once the area is safe:

#### **Check Casualty** Response

If unconscious, open the airway and check for normal breathing (for up to 10 seconds). (3)

If the casualty is breathing, place in the recovery position ( ), dial 102 for an ambulance, monitor and record breathing every ten minutes or until medical assistance arrives.

#### If Casualty is **Not Breathing** Normally

If the casualty is not breathing normally, dial 102 immediately and commence

#### Commence CPR

Commence CPR. Alternate 30 chest compressions with two rescue breaths. (e) Repeat this sequence as necessary

