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# StormSafe Fact Sheet

*Electrical Safety now - Before a storm*

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## Fast Facts:



An electrical surge created as a result of lightning striking power lines can be carried along the wires into the telephone and power outlets in your home.

Unplug electrical  
equipment before a  
storm arrives

For more information on  
Electrical Safety, contact:

Evo Energy - 13 23 86  
<https://www.evoenergy.com.au/>

## Protect your family

Storms can happen anywhere and at anytime. There are some steps you can take now to protect your family from possible electrocution or injuries from electricity as a result of storms.



## Things you can do now, before a storm:

- Have a licensed electrician install a safety switch, or if you already have a safety switch - check that it works by using the test button.
- Find out how and where to turn off your power, gas and water supply
- Check all electrical equipment (e.g. leads, generators and power boards), are in good working order.
- Consider installing an uninterrupt power supply (UPS) or generator to power any essential items you might need to use during a storm or blackout.
- To protect sensitive and valuable electrical equipment, unplug it before a storm. Consider installing high quality power conditioner/surge protectors to protect important electrical equipment if you are not around when the storm arrives.
- Place battery powered torches and radios with spare batteries in an emergency kit. Check regularly that the batteries work.

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