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## OVERHEAD POWER LINES AND UNDERGROUND CABLES

Electricity is supplied to your home through overhead power lines or underground cables. These service lines are live and cannot be turned off by the main power switch on your switch board. If you touch them, or the bare conductors that connect them to the house, you may be seriously injured or killed.

When entering a building, these lines are required to have suitable insulated covering. If the covering looks damaged or worn, contact your local electricity retailer or Nelson Electricity for referral to the appropriate licensed professional.

It is the homeowner's responsibility to ensure that, within the boundary of their property, power lines and cables are maintained in a safe condition.

Very often, supply to an out-building is taken from the house by overhead lines. As with service lines, old coverings of the wire deteriorate with time. If the covering looks damaged or worn, have the lines replaced by your licensed worker.



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