Be a Safety Star

Here are some smart safety tips your family needs to know when you’re around electricity.

- Keep away from overhead powerlines (electricity can jump!)
- Never play on electrical equipment or trees near powerlines
- Stay at least 8 metres away from fallen powerlines
- Use electrical appliances safely and correctly
- Keep electrical appliances away from water

Call Essential Energy on 13 20 80 if you see powerlines on the ground – remember to stay 8 metres away!

Identify hazardous areas

Emergency escape

If your vehicle makes contact with overhead or underground powerlines:

- Stay in your vehicle and call 000 immediately
- If escape is absolutely necessary, jump well clear to avoid contact with the vehicle and ground at the same time
- When you jump, land with your feet together. Do not touch the vehicle, fall or allow your feet to step apart
- You must shuffle or jump, with your feet together until you are at least 8 metres clear of the vehicle, powerlines or anything else in contact with them
- Once clear, do not return to the vehicle for any reason
- Call Essential Energy on 13 20 80
- Remember to never approach a vehicle to assist in an evacuation and always treat powerlines as if they are ‘live’.

If you have any safety questions call 13 23 91 and ask to speak to Essential Energy’s Public Safety Team.

Network enquiries 13 23 91
Power outages 13 20 80
essentialenergy.com.au

Factsheets, films and free safety stickers can be ordered online at essentialenergy.com.au/safety. You can also register to receive safety updates via email.

Like us or follow us for safety tips and information during power outages.

Visit essentialenergy.com.au/overhead to request a map* showing the general location of Essential Energy’s overhead electricity network for your property to help you identify potentially hazardous areas.

*Imagery may not be available for all areas.