



# FALL ELECTRICAL Safety Checklist

## INSIDE THE HOME

- Test smoke and CO detectors** – Replace batteries and test alarms to ensure they're working.
- Check GFCI outlets** – Press the “test” & “reset” buttons to confirm they trip and reset properly.
- Inspect outlets & switches** – Look for discoloration, buzzing, or warmth
- Confirm panel labeling** – Make sure your breaker panel is clearly labeled.
- Space heater use** – Only plug heaters directly into outlets, keep away from flammables.

## OUTSIDE THE HOME

- Check outdoor outlets** – Ensure covers are weatherproof and intact.
- Inspect exterior lighting** – Replace bulbs and confirm motion sensors or timers work.
- Test holiday light strings** – Look for cracked insulation or broken bulbs.
- Confirm generator readiness** – Test-run, check fuel supply, and inspect cords.
- Outside heat tape** – Confirm heat tape is in working order and ensure there is no physical damage.

## WHOLE-HOME SAFETY

- Schedule professional inspection** – Have an electrician check the panel, breakers, and load capacity.
- Surge protection** – Consider adding or checking whole-home surge protection.
- Furnace inspection** – Confirm any electric heating and furnaces are in working order.

