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An Electrical Inspection Could Save your Home

Electricity improves our daily lives, but only when it is used safely and effectively. Faulty, overloaded and aging components cause electrical fires in more than 20,000 homes each year. They also injure thousands and kill hundreds of people. Living in this modern world means we are using an increasing number of components in our homes on a daily basis. We expect our homes to be able to handle the load but they may not be as able as you think. Even if you have a relatively new home, you should have your electrical system checked every 10 years. Safety and efficiency are the point of focus in our electrical inspection. Call One Stop Home Repair today for a free electrical inspection performed by our Master Electrician, Joel Gibbs.

Just because it works, doesn't mean it is safe. A home built as few as 20 years ago may not have sufficient amperage to handle the demand of all your equipment. Burning plastic, blown fuses, tripped breakers and electrical shocks are telltale signs that your electrical system is drawing too much current, but an overworked system doesn't always show these signs.

Electrical dangers are most likely to happen when we misuse or used damaged components like toasters, coffee makers, phones and laptops. To avoid severe damage, you should inspect all cables and plugs for physical defects regularly and never use a cable with nicks, cuts, kinks or burns. It's not recommended to repair a wire with electrical tape.

One Stop Home Repair's electrical inspection looks at safety and efficiency. When Joel inspects your home, he will:

1. Check all GFCI devices.
2. Service your electrical panel, check all connections and breakers including arc faulting and GCFI, as well as main breaker.
3. Check all smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. If they are not interconnected he will check them individually.
4. Check all outlets with a tension tester to ensure the outlets aren't worn out. Plugs can fall out to the point where something can fall between the plug and the outlet and cause a short circuit.
5. Make recommendation based on electrical safety inspection

Be safe and effective with electricity. Don't let unseen issues become a problem. Call One Stop Home Repair today for free electrical inspection.



Master Electrician
Joel Gibbs



HANDY HOWIE SUGGESTS

Next time you find yourself without a level to make sure your wall shelf or hanging is level, download a level app on your smartphone.

If you need to remove a stripped screw, try gently driving the screwdriver into the head of the screw, and then use as much downward force as possible as you slowing back out the screw.



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Photo of the Month



A fuse box is not up to code. If your electric box looks like this, you should consider replacing it with breakers.



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Did You Know?

- *Much Ado About Nothing* is the only Shakespeare play that mentions February.
- Once every 6 years, February is the only month to have four full 7-day weeks.
- February is the most misspelled month.

February Checklist



Have your chimney swept to reduce the risk of chimney fire.

Inspect your bathroom for excessively wet areas and mildew.

Get your interior painting projects done and out the way.

Clean kitchen appliances, inside and out, including refrigerator coils.

Pull furniture from walls and clean behind them.

Inspect gutters for ice dams. At the same time, check the integrity of your siding and/or brick work.

Inspect your tree branches and cut any that are potentially dangerous.