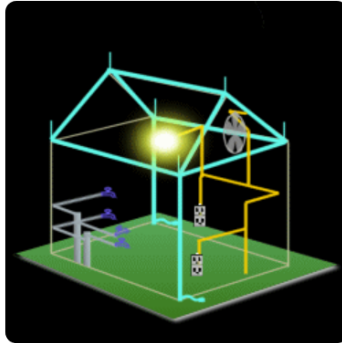


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*Animation showing how a lightning protection system works*

A professionally-installed and well-grounded lightning protection system will reduce or eliminate the fire and injury hazards if your house happens to be struck directly. You will want to assess the risk of a strike and weigh the costs versus benefits. Insurance may be a more cost-effective option, especially if you live in an area of average to below-average thunderstorm frequency. If you are located in a zone of frequent lightning activity (such as Florida and the Gulf Coast regions of the USA), a protection system may offer more of a benefit. [Read more about lightning protection systems.](#)