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Home Electrical Safety Checklist

Ensure your home's safety with this comprehensive checklist. Regular inspections can prevent hazards and protect your family.

1. Inspect Electrical Outlets and Switches:

- Ensure all outlets and switches are free from cracks, discoloration, or unusual warmth.

- Verify that plugs fit snugly into outlets without wobbling.

2. Evaluate Electrical Cords:

- Look for fraying, cracks, or exposed wires on all cords. Replace damaged cords immediately.

- Avoid running cords under rugs or furniture.

3. Assess Extension Cords and Power Strips:

- Use extension cords as a temporary solution.

- Do not overload power strips; adhere to load ratings.

4. Test Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs):

- Test GFCI outlets monthly by pressing the "Test" and "Reset" buttons.

- Install GFCIs in areas with water exposure like kitchens, bathrooms, and garages.

5. Examine Light Fixtures and Bulbs:

- Ensure bulbs match the recommended wattage for each fixture.

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- Confirm light fixtures are securely mounted.

6. Inspect Electrical Panel:

- Ensure all circuit breakers are accurately labeled.

- Look for signs of corrosion or burning.

7. Check Appliances:

- Regularly inspect appliances for unusual sounds, smells, or performance issues.

- Ensure appliances have adequate space for ventilation.

8. Verify Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors:

- Test detectors monthly and replace batteries annually.

- Install detectors on every level of the home and near sleeping areas.

9. Review Outdoor Electrical Components:

- Ensure outdoor outlets are weather-resistant.

- Regularly check outdoor lighting and electrical tools.

10. Schedule Professional Inspections:

- Engage a licensed electrician for periodic inspections, especially in older homes.

- Update electrical systems to meet current safety standards.

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