

A DAMAGED WIRE CAN START A FIRE

SIMPLE STEPS TO AVOID ELECTRICAL SHOCK AND REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE

ALL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO CAUSE HARM. Contact with the "energized" or "live" part of an electrical outlet could kill a person.

- Inspect extension cords, power bars, and electrical fittings for damage before each use.
- Do not overload an electrical outlet.
- Use an extension cord that is rated for the level of amperage or wattage that you are using.
- Never use an extension cord as permanent wiring.
- Do not connect multiple extension cords together.
- Do not use an outlet or cord that has exposed wiring.
- If an outlet is hot, stop using it and call an electrician.
- Do not block access to an electrical panel.
- Never remove the third prong on a plug.
- Pull the plug, not the cord.

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