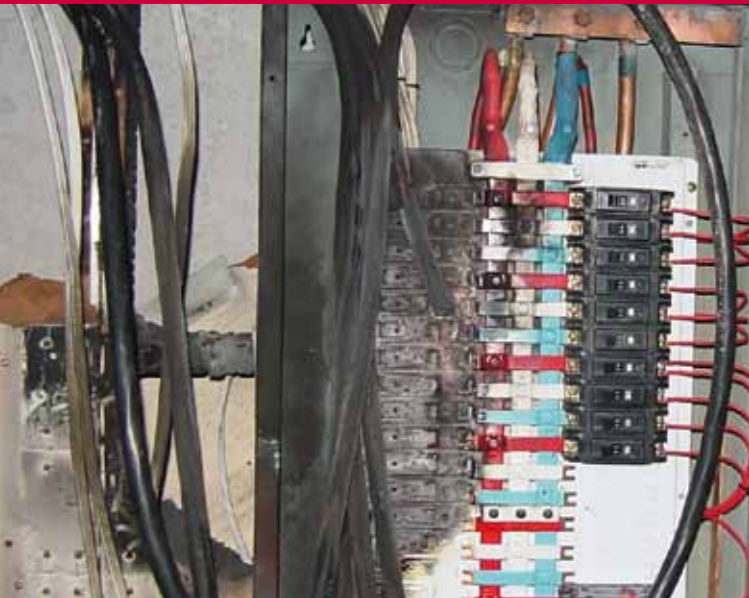


Electrical Safety Office

Don't take the risk... ...turn off the power



Electrical work must only be carried out by a licensed electrician and with the power turned off.

This law protects employees, customers, property, equipment and you from injury, death or damage.

Carrying out live work unnecessarily

As an employer or self-employed person you have an obligation under the *Electrical Safety Act 2002* to ensure that all people working for your business or undertaking are electrically safe.

Performing electrical work live when it should be performed with the power turned off is dangerous, illegal and can be fatal. If live electrical work is carried out unnecessarily, the licensed electrician, employer, or self-employed person can be fined. Significant penalties apply.

A licensed electrician performing live work unnecessarily places their own personal safety and the safety of those around them at risk. An accident during live work could result in a fatality. Even a minor accident could damage your electrical equipment, which could affect production and cost you more to have the damaged equipment repaired.

If live work is to be performed

The *Electrical Safety Regulation 2002* requires that certain conditions must be met before starting any live work. One of these conditions is that the person in control of the electrical equipment (i.e. the employer or self-employed person) has been consulted about the performance of the live work.

Minimising disruption to your business

Discuss with your licensed electrician the best time to have your electrical work carried out. This may mean that some electrical work is undertaken out of business hours or in non-production times.

For more information telephone **1300 650 662** or visit **www.electricalsafety.qld.gov.au**.

WARNING:

Never attempt to do your own electrical work—it's dangerous, illegal and can be fatal.

Always get a licensed electrician to do any electrical work.