

High and low voltage is one of the most dangerous situations you as a First Aider may encounter. As the first aider you must ensure that you and all bystanders remain at least 6 metres clear of any energised material.

High Voltage Currents

DO NOT - approach the area until you are sure the power supply had been disconnected

BE AWARE - of wires lying on the ground as they can move by themselves

WATCH - for water lying around the area surrounding live wires

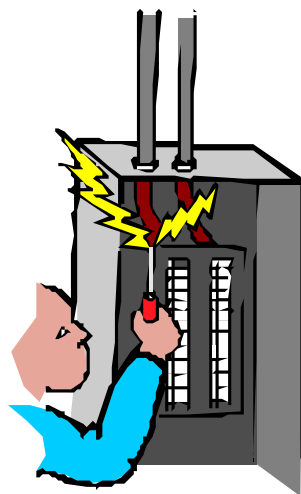
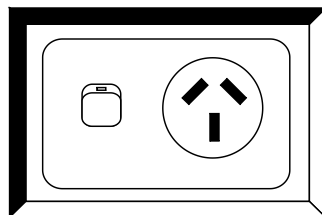
Initial Survey

DANGER

- Assess the scene and be aware of any danger that **MAY** be present.
- Identify the dangers that **ARE** present.
 - to you
 - to bystanders
 - to the casualty

What to do

- ✓ Turn off the electricity supply at the metre box. (The switch or the appliance may be faulty).
- ✓ Pull the fuse out.
- ✗ **If you are wet DO NOT attempt to rescue the casualty.**
- ✓ Use a broom or wooden stick to move the casualty away from the source of electrocution.
- ✓ **BE CAREFUL**
- ✓ Continue the primary survey RSABCD.
- ✓ Commence CPR if the casualty has no signs of life.
- ✓ Treat any burns including entrance or exit wounds.
- ✓ Look for any other injuries and treat as required.
- ✓ Deep tissue burns can occur between the entrance and exit points.



If an Ambulance is required - call immediately - do not delay