

**BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LAKE COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT  
ELECTRICAL SAFETY TIPS - PREVENT INJURY AFTER A FLOOD**

The July 2006 flood has reminded Lake County residents that very serious flooding can occur here. The Board of Lake County Commissioners, through its Lake County Building Department, would like to provide the residents of Lake County with the following information in an effort to prevent injury after a flood, to help ensure the health, safety, and welfare of its residents, and to assist residents in their efforts to have power restored safely and quickly.

- After a flood, your home's electrical system may be damaged.
- Have a licensed electrician check your home's electrical system to make sure it is safe. The main breaker box or fuse box, switches, outlets, electrical wires may have gotten wet and damaged.
- Your electric company may require an electrical inspection before it will restore power to your home. **YOU SHOULD CONSULT YOUR ELECTRIC COMPANY ABOUT USING ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND ABOUT WHAT STEPS YOU SHOULD TAKE TO HAVE POWER RESTORED.**
- After you have had your home's electrical system inspected and any necessary electrical work done, the Lake County Building Department, as required by Ohio law, will inspect the work done and approve repairs, alterations, replacements, and relocation of electrical wiring that are completed in accordance with the current Residential Code of Ohio for One, Two-, and Three-Family Dwellings ("RCO") or the current Ohio Building Code, in the following areas of Lake County:
  - [Concord Township](#)
  - [Fairport Harbor Village](#)
  - [Grand River Village](#)
  - [Kirtland City](#)
  - [Kirtland Hills](#)
  - [Lakeline Village](#) – Residential Only
  - [Leroy Township](#)
  - [Madison Township](#)
  - [Madison Village](#)
  - [Mentor-on-the-Lake](#)
  - [Painesville Township](#)
  - [North Perry Village](#)
  - [Perry Township](#)
  - [Perry Village](#)
  - [Timberlake Village](#) – Residential Only
  - [Waite Hill](#) – Residential Only
  - [Wickliffe](#) – All Commercial and Residential Electric Only
  - [Willoughby Hills](#) – Commercial Only
  - [Willowick](#) – Commercial Only

Lake County residents that live in other communities should contact their local building department for further guidance.

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- After electrical work has been done, the Lake County Building Department will make every effort to inspect the electrical work done upon application and as soon as possible.
- The Lake County Building Department has available for the public a list of registered electrical contractors, licensed by the Ohio Construction Industry Licensing Board. This list is available in our lobby and also on our website at:

[http://www.lakecountyohio.gov/lcobuildinginspection/BuildingInspectionHome/REGISTERED CONTRACTORS.aspx](http://www.lakecountyohio.gov/lcobuildinginspection/BuildingInspectionHome/REGISTEREDCONTRACTORS.aspx)

