



Your guide to

# Electrical Water Safety

Nothing says fun like a day on the water. But while you're having fun, remember that water and electricity do not mix. Here are safety tips to keep you and your family safe while in and around the water.



### **Water Safety Tips:**

- Keep electrical appliances away from water.
- Do not use household extension cords near water.
- Always use Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCI) around pools, piers and docks.
- Docks and boats can have electrical sources. Never swim near a dock or a boat while it's running.
- Watch for overhead lines when in a boat with tall masts or antennas.
- Know where main breakers are located in case of emergency.
- Frequently inspect electrical systems near pools or docks and on boats.
- Be aware, everywhere. Keep your eyes open for any electrical hazards.
- Obey "No Swimming" signs.

## **What to do if you see an electrical shock drowning:**

Water can become electrified due to electrical sources in or near the water. This can lead to electrical shock drowning. Here's what you should do:



**Quickly throw the victim a life ring or preserver.**



**Do not jump in the water—  
you could become a victim yourself.**



**Identify the electrical source and turn it off.**



**Call 911 immediately.**

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