

Welcome to UI's Neighborhood



LIFE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT

UI strongly encourages customers with a household member who is dependent on electrically operated life-support equipment to develop a backup plan for electric service in the event a power outage occurs. It's also the customer's responsibility to notify UI of their situation and the type of equipment used by calling **1-800-7 CALL UI** (1-800-722-5584). Suggested components of a backup plan include:

- An alternate source of electric power such as a battery backup system, an uninterruptible power supply or a generator for life-support equipment.
- Handy emergency telephone numbers: doctor, fire, police and ambulance. Keep in mind that many cordless phones do not work during power outages, so be sure that you have a regular phone available.
- Arrangements to leave your house in case of prolonged outage. Outages can occur at any time for many reasons.
- A battery-operated radio.
- Listen to the radio or watch the nightly news for predictions of expected storms or other problems that may lead to sudden outages.

Electric Safety Tips for the Whole Family



- Consider purchasing Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs). Properly installed to replace the standard electric outlets near swimming pools, bathtubs or other "wet" areas in your home, they can protect you from serious accidents.
- Don't use power tools outdoors if it's raining or the ground is wet.
- Be sure the fixtures and light bulbs you use outside are approved for outdoor use.
- Never use plugged-in radios, television sets or other appliances around a swimming pool.
- When flying a kite, balloon or model airplane, stay in open spaces, away from overhead lines. And never use metallic string.
- Don't post signs on utility poles. It is prohibited by state law and can be hazardous to our workers.
- Don't run electric cords under carpets, cushions or other materials. They could start a fire if a cord overheats.
- Use caution when trimming trees, putting up an antenna or using a ladder near power lines. And remember, wood, metal ladders and scaffolding all conduct electricity.
- Never dig deeper than one foot without first calling **"Call Before You Dig"** at **1-800-922-4455**.
- Digging can be dangerous if done without first checking for underground wires or cables.