

Power Line Safety in Winter

SKIERS & SNOWMOBILERS

- Watch out for guide wires & poles hidden by high snow banks.
- Look out for sagging powerlines caused by fallen trees and branches or ice build up on lines.
- Avoid high snowbanks & drifts that are dangerously close to overhead power lines or make electrical facilities, like substations, more accessible.



DRIVING

- Snow, slush, ice, and wind can make it more likely that your car will skid off the road and hit a powerline.
- If a powerline lands on your vehicle remain in the vehicle until emergency responders arrive. Exiting a vehicle contacted by a live powerline is extremely dangerous.
- Do not attempt to assist someone in a vehicle touched by powerlines.

Stay back and call 911:

- Always assume that a powerline on the ground or dangling is live even if it's not connected to a pole or throwing sparks.
- Stay at least 10 metres (33 feet) away as electricity can travel through water and the ground around powerlines.
- Keep others away. If someone does receive an electrical shock, don't try to approach them.
- Immediately report any downed wires to Hydro or NF Power and call 911.



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