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There are several ways of having electrical hazards eliminated:

- Have extension cords above floors to keep away from water.
- Dry all work areas.
- Make sure to wear proper gloves, safety glasses, and clothing appropriate for electrical work.
- Make sure power tools and electrical cords have a grounding pin.
- Have electrical power off until the work place is dry and safe to continue working.
- Plug electric power tools into a GFCI receptacle.
- Train employees on Lock out/Tag out procedures.



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