

Energy Partners



New-Mac Electric Cooperative

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Do your kids know to be safe around power lines?

A quick guide for parents on how to keep your kids safe.



Why should you care about electrical safety?

BECAUSE SHE DEPENDS ON YOU TO KNOW.

New-Mac Electric's website, newmac.com, is a wonderful tool for parents to teach their kids to be safe around electricity. Inside the "Safety Portal" is the "Kids Corner" with all kinds of activities for kids.

As spring comes into full swing, your backyard becomes the perfect playground for your children, grandchildren or other little ones in your life. It's great because kids need to get outdoors and enjoy the fresh air. You've probably heard multiple messages about making sure kids get enough exercise each day.

We understand that time outside is important for your child's health and well-being. So, it's critical to make sure they have a safe space to play. While scrapes and bruises can be a part of the outdoor experience, electrical hazards shouldn't be. Looking up for power lines is one way

to look out for your kids.

If you see any potential problems with power lines or other electrical equipment on your property, please call New-Mac. We want to help keep you and your family safe!

Climbing trees near power lines

Climbing trees is a timeless activity for kids. However, when a tree is too close to a power

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Kite Safety Tips

- Keep kites away from electric lines
- Use wood, paper, plastic when building a kite
- Never use metal on kites and only a dry cotton string
- Never fly a kite during stormy weather
- Never try to climb electric poles to retrieve a kite



April is the official National Kite Month. New-Mac hopes that kids learn to fly those kites high but being safe while doing so.



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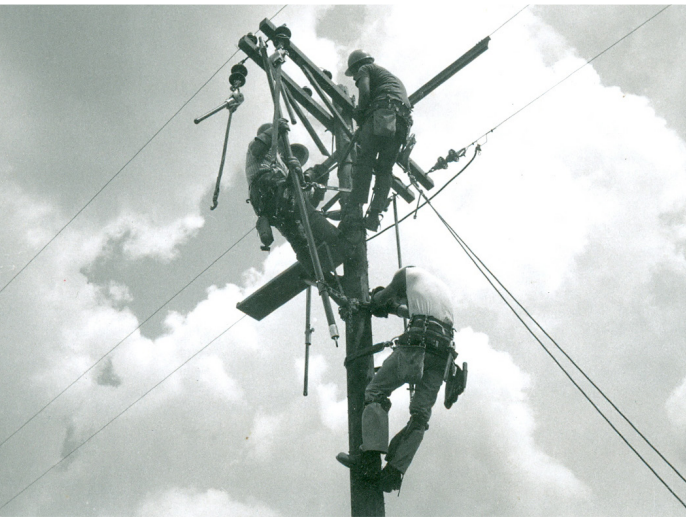


Doing what it takes to keep the lights on

Throughout the years, lineworkers across the country have put the good of the community first, leaving their families to enter dangerous situations and extreme elements: rain, sleet, ice, extreme cold and scorching heat. They are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, ready to set aside personal priorities, holidays, vacations and birthdays.

They do all of this to ensure we have power flowing to comfortable, safe homes. New-Mac Electric is extremely proud of all of our lineworkers, past and present, who have built and maintained many miles of power lines in our service territory to fulfill their commitment to keeping the lights on for our membership. April 14th has been designated "Lineworker Appreciation Day" by the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives.

So, New-Mac, along with other electric cooperatives across the state, ask you to help us honor



the brave men and women at the heart of our co-op who work hard to keep the lights on.



Seniors! No time to waste!

New-Mac Electric Cooperative is now accepting applications for our 2025 College Scholarship Program.

This marks the tenth consecutive year in which New-Mac will be awarding one scholarship to a high school senior in each of the 10 school districts.

In order to be eligible to receive one of the scholarships, a student must be enrolled in one of the following high schools: Carthage, Diamond, East Newton, Joplin, McDonald County, Neosho, Pierce City, Sarcouxie, Seneca or Wheaton. The applicant's parent or guardian must be a member of New-Mac Electric Cooperative, and the applicant must have a cumulative minimum 3.0 GPA. Immediate family members of New-Mac employees/board members are ineligible.

Each scholarship will be in the amount of \$500 and will be

non-renewable. The scholarship must be used at an accredited college or university, and the winner must become a full-time college student, beginning in the fall of 2025.

For complete guidelines and an application, visit newmac.com, see your school guidance counselor or call our Member Services Department at 417-451-1515 or 800-322-3849.



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line, it can be a safety threat for anyone near the tree, not just our brave little climbers.

Here are a few tips to keep yourself and your climbing kids safe around trees at home:

- Check trees around your property to see if they are too close to a power line. Trees and tree branches should be at least 15 feet away from a power line.
- Set boundaries on which trees can and can't be climbed. If you see a tree that is too close to a power line or unsafe to climb, use a visual indicator, like a strip of paint, and tell your child why they can't climb that tree.
- Call us if a tree is too close to a power line. We are always happy to help remove hazards. Never try to clear branches or remove a tree near a power line yourself.

Kites

As the spring wind picks up, it's a fantastic opportunity for your kids to let their kites take flight. However, kites and power lines don't mix. To prevent flying straight for disaster, make sure you always:

- Fly in an open space away from power lines. Feel free to fly if your property has plenty of open space. If not, look to fly at a park or another public area.
- Make sure to fly your kite on days with good weather. Stormy weather, especially lightning, can pose a threat to kite flyers. Strong winds can quickly pull a kite out of a safe flying range and into electrical equipment.
- Never try to retrieve kites caught in electrical equipment. If your child's kite comes in contact with a power line or other electrical equipment, call us for safe retrieval.

RC planes and drones

Taking to the skies with an RC plane or drone can be an awesome experience, but kids need to understand how to be safe with flying tech. Here are a few tips

you can follow to stay safe around power lines:

- Make sure your child is comfortable and capable of flying their RC plane or drone. They need to understand the boundaries and rules that come with flying toys.
- Find an open space for your child to fly. Like flying a kite, it's best to find an open field or park free of power lines or other electrical equipment.

If you would like more information on how to keep your kids safe around powerlines (both underground and over head), reach out to your Member Service Department. They will provide you with lots of resources that will inform you on the dangers.

Additionally, on the New-Mac Electric website under the "Safety Portal" tab you will find the "Kids Corner". Here New-Mac provides activities for kids including safety videos, activities and coloring pages.



New-Mac uses power town to demonstrate the dangers of electricity (above). Below, we encourage kids to get out and play but always look up before climbing. (At left) Your co-op attends many school functions to teach safety.



We try to educate all members of our community to watch for power lines and to be safe around them, it doesn't matter the age.

If you have any questions or would like more information on how to be safe around electricity please call member services at 417-451-1515.



Unclaimed patronage available for former members of New-Mac Electric

Names listed are former members of New-Mac Electric who have unclaimed past patronage with the Cooperative. You must contact the New-Mac office at 417-451-1515 within 60 days in order to claim your property. Properties listed fall within a defined monetary range. For an extensive listing of all unclaimed patronage, visit our website at new-mac.com. More names will be published in upcoming issues of this newsletter.

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BAKER, DOUGLAS & DEANNA M
BALDWIN, BETTY
BALL, FLOYD
BALLARD, MARVIN
BALMAS, JACK
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BARNARD, ROGER & JEANNE
BARNES, CHRISTOPH KENT
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BAUGH, KENNETH D & IDA MAE
BENTZ, RICHARD
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BLEVINS, JIMMY D & MARGITTA E
BLOOMER, TOMMY
BOMAN, SUE
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