



JUNE 2025

CO-OP CURRENT



ELECTRICAL SAFETY TAKES NO VACATION

JUNE IS HOME SAFETY MONTH – A GREAT TIME TO PROTECT YOUR HOME AND FAMILY WITH SMART ELECTRICAL SAFETY HABITS

When heading out on vacation, your to-do list is probably already full. But as part of Home Safety Month, SCI REMC encourages you to add a few electrical safety steps to ensure both you and your home stay safe while you're away.

MIX UP YOUR LIGHTING

Leaving a light or two on might seem like a good deterrent for burglars, but keeping bulbs on continuously can create a fire hazard. Instead, install motion-sensing outdoor lights and use programmable timers for indoor lighting. Many modern timers offer a randomized setting that makes it look as if people are home by varying which lights turn on and off at different times.

UNPLUG TO BE MORE SECURE

Before you leave, unplug appliances and electronics that don't need to stay on. This simple step reduces the risk of electrical fires and protects your home in the event of a power surge or lightning strike. Good items to unplug include coffee makers, toasters, televisions, and entertainment systems.

CHECK YOUR TEMPORARY HOME

Electrical safety doesn't stop when you're on vacation. Whether you're staying in a hotel, condo, or short-term rental, look for potential electrical hazards. Check for overloaded outlets, extension cords in use, hot outlets, or the smell of overheating. If something seems dangerous, report it to management. If it isn't addressed, consider finding a safer place to stay and reporting the issue to the appropriate authorities.

STAY IN THE CAR

If you're involved in an accident and hit a utility pole, remain in your vehicle. Power lines could fall and may still be energized, posing a deadly risk. Warn others to stay away and call 911 immediately. Only exit the vehicle once utility workers confirm it's safe.

SAFETY IN OR AROUND POOLS

It's easy to hop out of the pool and turn up the music without thinking - or jump in and make a huge splash all over nearby electrical appliances. But doing so can be dangerous. Instead, use battery-operated appliances or waterproof covers for items near the pool when possible. This way, you and your family can enjoy the day without worry of electrical shock!

If someone in the pool feels electricity - almost like a stinging feeling - or appears to have been shocked, do not dive in because you could be shocked too. Instead, turn off the power and use a nonmetal shepherd's hook to pull them out of the water to safety.

When using long-handled pool cleaning equipment, always look up and around to make sure there are no low-hanging power lines connected to a home or pool house nearby.



DAY CAMP 2025

Friday, June 27

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Lunch is provided.

Students entering grades 4 through 6 can sign up for our *free*, fun, and educational one-day camp. The students will learn about energy efficiency, power line safety, fiber internet, vegetation management, the history of electric cooperatives, and more!

Students need to be signed up by Friday, June 20.

SIGN UP AT [SCIREMC.COM/DAYCAMP](https://sciremc.com/daycamp)



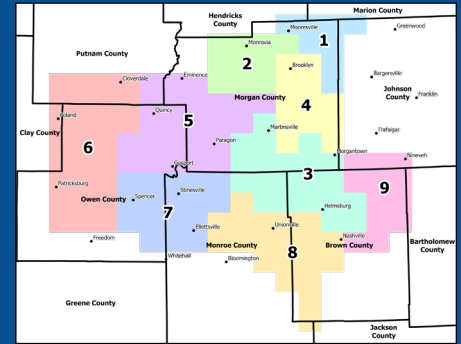
DIRECTOR PETITIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Districts up for election:

- District 2
- District 6
- District 7

Visit sciremc.com or contact Stacey at 800.264.7362, ext. 111

To learn about the responsibilities of being a director, visit sciremc.com/annualmeeting.



QUARTERLY MEMBER SURVEY

April - June 2025

Participating members
have a chance to win a
\$25 bill credit!

*Submission deadline is
Monday, June 30, at noon.*

