

10 WAYS TO STAY SAFE WHILE WORKING FROM HOME

Many people have transitioned to a work-from-home schedule over the past year. Here are ten electric safety tips to implement:

- 1. Avoid overloading outlets and use a power strip.
- 2. Unplug appliances when you're not using them to save energy and minimize the risk of shock or fire.
- 3. Regularly inspect electrical cords and extension cords for

damage.

- 4. Extension cords should be used only on a temporary basis.
- 5. Never plug a space heater or fan into an extension cord or power strip.
- 6. Never run cords under rugs, carpets, doors or windows.
- 7. Plug in smartly make sure cords do not become tripping hazards.
- 8. Keep papers and other potential combustibles at least three feet away from space heaters and other heat sources.
- 9. Make sure you use proper wattage for lamps and lighting.
- 10.Make sure your home has smoke alarms. Test them monthly, change batteries annually and replace the alarm every 10 years For more safety tips, visit sdge.com/safety.