

Re: Use of Extension Cord

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On Sat, 19 Nov 2005 06:55:03 -0000, Terry <tsanford@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

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Is there a specific reason why the instructions of some electrical appliances say not to use an extension cord? Some appliances that I can think of are a vaporizer, warm mist humidifier, some TVs, VCRs, and telephones.

Since the poster specifically mentions devices which do not take 'heavy amounts' of electric current my suggested answer would be 'For safety'; since there could be danger of tripping on the wire and/or pulling over an electrical device in say a child's or adult's bedroom, thus spilling water (possibly hot?) in the presence of electricity. A possibly lethal combination!
Check life insurance policies; standing in wet slippers or bare feet on a water soaked floor/carpet trying to clean up a broken electric device is not recommended!
Also many people have no understanding of electricity and quite blithely will plug a 'heavy' electrical using device such as a 1200 watt microwave into an extension cord designed for, at best, a few small Christmas tree lights and then wonder why the extension cord melts/catches fire and burns the house down.

Am I to assume here that US electrical cords are terrible compared to UK ones? All UK extension

Check house insurance. Although the insurance company might deem that kind of cause 'negligence' by the policy !

I don't think I've ever read any instructions, fineprint, terms and conditions, or policies in my

Another mistake can be plugging too many devices into the one extension cord, not of adequate rating/size to carry the total amount of electric

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current!

Er..... FUSE anyone? Don't tell me they have unfused extension cords in the US? And I thought y

All seems rather too obvious to ask? But I've seen some horrors!

I've been electrocuted 6 times at proper mains voltage (240, not your pansy 110), and I'm still a

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Truly Amazing Anagrams:

Diego Maradona	O dear, I'm a gonad
Ricki Martin	Ram it in Rick.
Kylie Minogue	You like minge.
Tony Blair PM	I'm Tory plan B
Virginia Bottomley	I'm an evil Tory bigot
Michael Heseltine	Elect him, he's alien
David Mellor	Dildo marvel
Dame Agatha Christie	I am a right death case
Benson and Hedges	NHS been a godsend
Selina Scott	Elastic snot
Mel Gibson	Big melons
Gloria Estefan	Large fat noise
Chris Rea	Rich arse
Martina Navratilova	Variant rival to a man
Gabriela Sabatini	Insatiable airbag
Irritable Bowel Syndrome	O my terrible drains below
Evangelist	Evil's Agent
Desperation	A Rope Ends It
The Morse Code	Here Come Dots
Mother-in-law	Woman Hitler
Semolina	Is No Meal
A Decimal Point	I'm a Dot in Place
Eleven plus two	Twelve plus one
President Clinton, of the USA	To copulate, he finds interns
Motorway Service Station	I eat coronary vomit stews.

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