EMERGENCY SERVICES JOB-AID
Dealing with the Hazard of Electricity

Risks:
> Electrocution, Shock or Burns as a result of contact or near contact either directly or indirectly with normally Live Parts or Parts accidentally made Live due to a fault or insulation failure
> Electricity can be an Ignition source

The best protection against the hazard of Electricity is distance

- Keep Clear
- Keep members of the Public clear
- Cordon off area
- Ensure Electricity supply is switched off before dealing with the Emergency situation
- Where ESB Overhead Lines, Sub-Stations or other apparatus is involved make immediate contact with ESB Networks (PTO for details)

Primary Controls

Domestic Premises
- Do not touch or move damaged wiring until the installation has been switched out

Commercial Premises
- Do not handle or move electrical equipment until it has been disconnected

Transformer Sub-Stations
- Do Not enter any Sub-Station or any cubicle within unless accompanied by ESB personnel

Switching Sub-Stations
- Do not approach victims in contact or close contact with ESB overhead electricity lines or other apparatus
- Do not approach fallen wires
- Do not approach vehicles or equipment in contact or close contact with ESB lines or other apparatus

Overhead Networks

Fallen Wires
- Until it has been confirmed by an ESB Networks Operator that it is safe (See back for emergency contact details)
Contact Voltage

Step Voltage

ESB 24 Hr. Emergency Contact Numbers

National Emergency Services Dedicated Contact
Telephone No. 021 4542090

General ESB Networks 24 Hr. Emergency No. 1850 372 999 (i.e. 1850 ESB 999)

Always assume that any Overhead Electricity Lines and other Electrical Apparatus or Equipment is Live until it has been confirmed by an ESB Networks Operator that the power has been switched off and it is safe.