



SAFETY FIRST

**Life Saving Information from
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The Orange Fire Department**

HYDRANT INSPECTIONS

The Orange Fire Department has begun the first of two annual inspections of the city's hydrants to ensure their functionality for the purpose of firefighting. Out of respect to businesses that are eateries, those hydrants in their vicinity will be inspected during their non-working hours.

Inspectors conducting the following:

1. Opening hydrants to confirm proper working conditions; physically inspecting hydrants,
2. Manipulating caps to insure that they operate freely. Missing caps will be reported,
3. Cleaning out of any extraneous materials,
4. Checking and lubricating threads and gaskets; replacing caps and hand tightening only.

SAFETY TIPS

Did you know that a significant number of electrocutions and electrical injuries are a result of the contact made to electrical currents in air conditions? These safety tips are designed to assist the citizens of Orange Township to practice safety during rising temperatures and throughout the summer season.

Cooling Equipment (air conditioners)

- Check your fan or cooling unit periodically to make sure cords and plugs are in good working condition.
- Be sure that both the electrical circuit and the electrical outlet can handle the load. When in doubt, have a licensed electrician inspect your home's wiring and advise you as to whether it will safely handle air conditioning units.
- Always plug an air conditioner into a grounded (three-prong) outlet. If an appliance cord plug doesn't fit an outlet, have a qualified electrician replace the outlet.
- Be sure to have a licensed professional install and service any of your cooling units, to prevent electrocution and fires.
- Trust your senses! If your appliance is emitting a distinct odor, or smells like something is overheating, it just might be. This may be due to a motor or wiring issue, but leave it to the professionals to safely determine.
- If using a window unit, take precaution by making sure your unit is installed in a way that it leans slightly outside, preventing water from dripping onto electrical parts.
- Have electric-powered equipment inspected and maintained regularly for safety. Follow all safety precautions suggested by the manufacturer of the equipment.
- Make sure your equipment has the label showing that it is listed by a recognized testing laboratory.

**For more information please call
The Orange Fire Department at 973-266-4230**