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Question 1: What does the term "grounding" mean in electrical safety?

- A) A technique for making electrical appliances more efficient
- B) The process of connecting a conductor to the Earth or a ground reference point
- C) Increasing the voltage of an electrical circuit
- D) A method for reducing electrical resistance

Answer: B) The process of connecting a conductor to the Earth or a ground reference point

Explanation: Grounding in electrical safety involves connecting a conductor to the Earth or a ground reference point to provide a safe path for electrical fault currents.

Question 2: What is the primary purpose of an electrical fuse?

- A) To regulate the voltage in an electrical circuit
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To provide backup power in case of an outage
- D) To protect against excessive current by breaking the circuit

Answer: D) To protect against excessive current by breaking the circuit

Explanation: Electrical fuses are designed to protect electrical circuits by breaking the circuit when excessive current flows through them.



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Question 3: Why is it important to use electrical outlets with ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) in wet or damp environments?

- A) To reduce electrical efficiency
- B) To make the outlets look more attractive
- C) To increase electrical resistance
- D) To prevent electrical shock hazards by detecting ground faults

Answer: D) To prevent electrical shock hazards by detecting ground faults

Explanation: GFCIs are used in wet or damp environments to prevent electrical shock hazards by quickly detecting ground faults and interrupting the circuit.

Question 4: Which type of electrical current periodically reverses direction in a circuit?

- A) Direct current (DC)
- B) Alternating current (AC)
- C) Pulsating current (PC)
- D) Static current (SC)

Answer: B) Alternating current (AC)

Explanation: Alternating current (AC) periodically reverses its direction in a circuit, whereas direct current (DC) flows in one direction.



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Question 5: What is the purpose of electrical insulators?

- A) To conduct electricity efficiently
- B) To increase the risk of electrical shock
- C) To prevent the flow of electricity and maintain separation between conductors
- D) To provide additional electrical power

Answer: C) To prevent the flow of electricity and maintain separation between conductors

Explanation: Electrical insulators are materials that prevent the flow of electricity and maintain separation between conductors to reduce the risk of electrical contact and shock.

Question 6: What is the minimum safe distance that should be maintained from overhead power lines when working with equipment or machinery?

- A) 1 foot (30 centimeters)
- B) 3 feet (1 meter)
- C) 5 feet (1.5 meters)
- D) The distance varies depending on the voltage of the power lines

Answer: D) The distance varies depending on the voltage of the power lines

Explanation: The safe distance from overhead power lines when working with equipment or machinery varies depending on the voltage of the power lines and should be determined based on local regulations.



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Question 7: What is the purpose of a circuit breaker in an electrical system?

- A) To increase electrical resistance
- B) To maintain a constant flow of electrical current
- C) To control the voltage in a circuit
- D) To protect against overcurrent and short circuits by interrupting the circuit

Answer: D) To protect against overcurrent and short circuits by interrupting the circuit

Explanation: Circuit breakers are designed to protect against overcurrent and short circuits by interrupting the circuit when needed, preventing electrical fires and damage.

Question 8: Which of the following is a recommended practice for electrical cord safety?

- A) Overload extension cords to maximize power usage
- B) Plug multiple extension cords into each other to increase reach
- C) Regularly inspect cords for damage and replace damaged cords promptly
- D) Wrap cords tightly around equipment to keep them out of the way

Answer: C) Regularly inspect cords for damage and replace damaged cords promptly

Explanation: Regularly inspecting electrical cords for damage and promptly replacing damaged cords is a recommended practice for electrical cord safety.



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Question 9: What should you do if you encounter a damaged electrical cord or plug?

- A) Continue using it until it fails completely
- B) Inspect it regularly but continue using it
- C) Repair it yourself using tape or other materials
- D) Stop using it immediately and replace or repair it following safety guidelines

Answer: D) Stop using it immediately and replace or repair it following safety guidelines

Explanation: If you encounter a damaged electrical cord or plug, it's important to stop using it immediately and replace or repair it following safety guidelines to prevent electrical hazards.

Question 10: What is the purpose of an electrical disconnect switch?

- A) To increase electrical resistance
- B) To regulate voltage in electrical circuits
- C) To provide backup power during outages
- D) To disconnect power to electrical equipment for maintenance or safety

Answer: D) To disconnect power to electrical equipment for maintenance or safety

Explanation: An electrical disconnect switch is used to disconnect power to electrical equipment for maintenance or safety purposes.



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Question 11: Why is it important to use electrical tools and equipment that are properly insulated and grounded?

- A) To increase electrical efficiency
- B) To make the tools and equipment look more attractive
- C) To prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires
- D) To reduce electrical resistance

Answer: C) To prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires

Explanation: Properly insulated and grounded electrical tools and equipment are used to prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires.

Question 12: What should you do before performing maintenance on electrical equipment?

- A) Begin maintenance without any preparation
- B) Wait until the equipment fails completely before performing maintenance
- C) Disconnect the equipment from power sources and follow lockout/tagout procedures
- D) Increase the power supply to the equipment for better maintenance access

Answer: C) Disconnect the equipment from power sources and follow lockout/tagout procedures

Explanation: Before performing maintenance on electrical equipment, it's crucial to disconnect the equipment from power sources and follow lockout/tagout procedures to ensure safety.



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Question 13: What is the primary hazard associated with using damaged or worn-out electrical cords and plugs?

- A) Improved electrical efficiency
- B) Reduced electrical resistance
- C) Risk of electrical shock, short circuits, and fires
- D) Increased voltage

Answer: C) Risk of electrical shock, short circuits, and fires

Explanation: Using damaged or worn-out electrical cords and plugs can pose the primary hazard of electrical shock, short circuits, and fires.

Question 14: What should you do if you notice any exposed electrical wires or conductors?

- A) Ignore them and continue working
- B) Document them for future reference
- C) Cover them with tape to prevent contact
- D) Report them immediately to a qualified electrician or supervisor

Answer: D) Report them immediately to a qualified electrician or supervisor

Explanation: If you notice any exposed electrical wires or conductors, it's essential to report them immediately to a qualified electrician or supervisor to address the safety concern.



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Question 15: What is the purpose of electrical lockout/tagout procedures?

- A) To increase electrical efficiency
- B) To maintain a constant flow of electrical current
- C) To control the voltage in an electrical system
- D) To de-energize and lock out electrical equipment for maintenance and prevent accidental activation

Answer: D) To de-energize and lock out electrical equipment for maintenance and prevent accidental activation

Explanation: Electrical lockout/tagout procedures are used to de-energize and lock out electrical equipment for maintenance purposes, preventing accidental activation and ensuring safety.

Question 16: What is the primary purpose of an electrical circuit overload?

- A) To increase the flow of electrical current
- B) To prevent electrical shock hazards
- C) To control the voltage in an electrical system
- D) To protect against excessive current by breaking the circuit

Answer: D) To protect against excessive current by breaking the circuit

Explanation: An electrical circuit overload occurs to protect against excessive current by breaking the circuit, preventing damage and hazards.



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Question 17: Why is it important to use electrical equipment and appliances that are certified by a recognized testing laboratory?

- A) To increase electrical resistance
- B) To regulate voltage in electrical circuits
- C) To make the equipment look more attractive
- D) To ensure that the equipment meets safety and performance standards

Answer: D) To ensure that the equipment meets safety and performance standards

Explanation: Using electrical equipment and appliances that are certified by a recognized testing laboratory ensures that the equipment meets safety and performance standards.

Question 18: What is the purpose of "arc flash protective clothing" in electrical safety?

- A) To make workers more visible
- B) To increase electrical efficiency
- C) To prevent electrical shock hazards
- D) To protect workers from arc flash and burns during electrical work

Answer: D) To protect workers from arc flash and burns during electrical work

Explanation: Arc flash protective clothing is used to protect workers from arc flash and burns during electrical work, enhancing safety.



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Question 19: What should you do if you encounter a smoking or burning electrical device?

- A) Attempt to extinguish the fire using water
- B) Leave it unattended and evacuate the area
- C) Unplug it immediately if safe to do so and call emergency services
- D) Ignore it and continue working

Answer: C) Unplug it immediately if safe to do so and call emergency services

Explanation: If you encounter a smoking or burning electrical device, it's important to unplug it immediately if safe to do so and call emergency services for assistance.

Question 20: What is the purpose of electrical grounding in residential and commercial buildings?

- A) To increase electrical efficiency
- B) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- C) To make electrical equipment look more attractive
- D) To prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires

Answer: D) To prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires

Explanation: Electrical grounding in residential and commercial buildings is used to prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires.



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Question 21: What is the purpose of "electrical insulating gloves" in electrical safety?

- A) To increase electrical efficiency
- B) To make workers more visible
- C) To prevent electrical shock hazards when working on energized electrical equipment
- D) To control the voltage in electrical circuits

Answer: C) To prevent electrical shock hazards when working on energized electrical equipment

Explanation: Electrical insulating gloves are used to prevent electrical shock hazards when working on energized electrical equipment by providing a barrier of insulation.

Question 22: Why is it important to avoid using electrical equipment and appliances with damaged cords or plugs?

- A) To reduce electrical resistance
- B) To increase the risk of electrical shock
- C) To make the equipment look more attractive
- D) To improve electrical efficiency

Answer: B) To increase the risk of electrical shock

Explanation: Using electrical equipment and appliances with damaged cords or plugs increases the risk of electrical shock and should be avoided.



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Question 23: What is the primary hazard associated with using electrical equipment or appliances near water sources?

- A) Reduced electrical efficiency
- B) Increased electrical resistance
- C) Risk of electrical shock
- D) Improved equipment performance

Answer: C) Risk of electrical shock

Explanation: Using electrical equipment or appliances near water sources poses the primary hazard of electrical shock due to the conductivity of water.

Question 24: What should you do if you encounter a person who has received an electrical shock?

- A) Immediately touch the person to provide assistance
- B) Pour water on the person to cool them down
- C) Call emergency services and do not touch the person until it's safe
- D) Wait for the person to recover on their own

Answer: C) Call emergency services and do not touch the person until it's safe

Explanation: If you encounter a person who has received an electrical shock, it's essential to call emergency services and avoid touching the person until it's safe to do so to prevent further harm.



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Question 25: What is the primary purpose of "ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs)" in residential and commercial buildings?

- A) To make electrical equipment look more attractive
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To prevent electrical shock hazards by detecting ground faults and interrupting the circuit

Answer: D) To prevent electrical shock hazards by detecting ground faults and interrupting the circuit

Explanation: Ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) are used in residential and commercial buildings to prevent electrical shock hazards by detecting ground faults and interrupting the circuit.

Question 26: What is the purpose of "lockout/tagout" procedures in electrical safety?

- A) To increase electrical efficiency
- B) To regulate voltage in electrical circuits
- C) To provide backup power during outages
- D) To de-energize and lock out electrical equipment for maintenance and prevent accidental activation

Answer: D) To de-energize and lock out electrical equipment for maintenance and prevent accidental activation

Explanation: Lockout/tagout procedures in electrical safety are used to de-energize and lock out electrical equipment for maintenance purposes, preventing accidental activation and ensuring safety.



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Question 27: Why is it important to use "arc flash protective clothing" when working on or near energized electrical equipment?

- A) To increase electrical efficiency
- B) To make workers more visible
- C) To prevent electrical shock hazards
- D) To protect workers from arc flash and burns

Answer: D) To protect workers from arc flash and burns

Explanation: Arc flash protective clothing is used to protect workers from arc flash and burns when working on or near energized electrical equipment.

Question 28: What should you do if you encounter a damaged or exposed electrical wire outdoors?

- A) Ignore it and continue working
- B) Document it for future reference
- C) Cover it with tape to prevent contact
- D) Report it immediately to a qualified electrician or supervisor

Answer: D) Report it immediately to a qualified electrician or supervisor

Explanation: If you encounter a damaged or exposed electrical wire outdoors, it's essential to report it immediately to a qualified electrician or supervisor for assessment and repair.



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Question 29: Why is it important to avoid overloading electrical circuits with too many devices or appliances?

- A) To reduce electrical resistance
- B) To make the circuits look more attractive
- C) To increase the flow of electrical current
- D) To prevent overheating, electrical fires, and circuit damage

Answer: D) To prevent overheating, electrical fires, and circuit damage

Explanation: Overloading electrical circuits with too many devices or appliances can lead to overheating, electrical fires, and circuit damage, so it should be avoided.

Question 30: What is the primary purpose of "electrical hazard labels" or warnings on equipment?

- A) To make the equipment look more attractive
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To regulate voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To alert users to potential electrical hazards and safe operating practices

Answer: D) To alert users to potential electrical hazards and safe operating practices

Explanation: Electrical hazard labels or warnings on equipment are used to alert users to potential electrical hazards and safe operating practices, promoting safety.



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Question 31: What is the purpose of "electrical grounding" in electrical systems?

- A) To increase electrical resistance
- B) To make electrical systems more attractive
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To provide a safe path for electrical fault currents to the Earth

Answer: D) To provide a safe path for electrical fault currents to the Earth

Explanation: Electrical grounding is used to provide a safe path for electrical fault currents to the Earth, reducing the risk of electrical shock and fires.

Question 32: Why is it important to use electrical equipment and appliances with polarized plugs correctly?

- A) To increase electrical resistance
- B) To make the equipment look more attractive
- C) To prevent electrical shock hazards by ensuring the proper alignment of hot and neutral wires
- D) To improve equipment performance

Answer: C) To prevent electrical shock hazards by ensuring the proper alignment of hot and neutral wires

Explanation: Using electrical equipment with polarized plugs correctly ensures the proper alignment of hot and neutral wires, reducing the risk of electrical shock hazards.



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Question 33: What is the primary hazard associated with using electrical equipment or appliances with damaged insulation?

- A) Increased electrical resistance
- B) Reduced electrical efficiency
- C) Risk of electrical shock and short circuits
- D) Improved equipment performance

Answer: C) Risk of electrical shock and short circuits

Explanation: Using electrical equipment or appliances with damaged insulation poses the primary hazard of electrical shock and short circuits.

Question 34: What is the purpose of "electrical circuit testing" before starting electrical work?

- A) To increase electrical resistance
- B) To make the circuits look more attractive
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To ensure that circuits are de-energized and safe to work on

Answer: D) To ensure that circuits are de-energized and safe to work on

Explanation: Electrical circuit testing is performed to ensure that circuits are de-energized and safe to work on before starting electrical work.



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Question 35: Why is it important to have "emergency shutdown procedures" in place for electrical systems?

- A) To make electrical systems more efficient
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To quickly and safely shut down electrical systems in case of emergencies or hazards

Answer: D) To quickly and safely shut down electrical systems in case of emergencies or hazards

Explanation: Emergency shutdown procedures are in place for electrical systems to quickly and safely shut down the systems in case of emergencies or hazards.

Question 36: What should you do if you encounter a tripped circuit breaker or a blown fuse?

- A) Ignore it and continue using the equipment
- B) Attempt to reset the circuit breaker or replace the fuse without investigating the cause
- C) Investigate the cause of the trip or blowout and address it before resetting the circuit breaker or replacing the fuse
- D) Wait for someone else to handle the situation

Answer: C) Investigate the cause of the trip or blowout and address it before resetting the circuit breaker or replacing the fuse

Explanation: If you encounter a tripped circuit breaker or a blown fuse, it's important to investigate the cause of the issue and address it before resetting the circuit breaker or replacing the fuse to prevent further problems.



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Question 37: What is the primary purpose of "electrical safety training" for personnel working with electricity?

- A) To make workers more visible
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To provide knowledge and skills to prevent electrical hazards and work safely

Answer: D) To provide knowledge and skills to prevent electrical hazards and work safely

Explanation: Electrical safety training for personnel working with electricity is designed to provide knowledge and skills to prevent electrical hazards and work safely.

Question 38: Why is it important to use "residual current devices (RCDs)" in electrical systems?

- A) To make electrical systems more attractive
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To quickly detect and interrupt ground faults to prevent electrical shock

Answer: D) To quickly detect and interrupt ground faults to prevent electrical shock

Explanation: Residual current devices (RCDs) are used in electrical systems to quickly detect and interrupt ground faults, preventing electrical shock hazards.



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Question 39: What should you do if you encounter a fallen power line?

- A) Touch the power line to determine if it's still energized
- B) Approach the power line to assess the situation
- C) Stay at least 20 feet away from the power line and call emergency services
- D) Continue working as long as the power line is not obstructing your immediate area

Answer: C) Stay at least 20 feet away from the power line and call emergency services

Explanation: If you encounter a fallen power line, it's crucial to stay at least 20 feet away from the power line and call emergency services to handle the situation safely.

Question 40: What is the primary purpose of "lockout/tagout" devices in electrical safety?

- A) To increase electrical resistance
- B) To make electrical systems more efficient
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To physically lock and tag electrical equipment to prevent unintentional energization during maintenance

Answer: D) To physically lock and tag electrical equipment to prevent unintentional energization during maintenance

Explanation: Lockout/tagout devices in electrical safety are used to physically lock and tag electrical equipment to prevent unintentional energization during maintenance, ensuring safety.



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Question 41: What is the purpose of "electrical safety barriers" or enclosures around electrical equipment?

- A) To make the equipment look more attractive
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To prevent unauthorized access and protect against accidental contact

Answer: D) To prevent unauthorized access and protect against accidental contact

Explanation: Electrical safety barriers or enclosures around electrical equipment are used to prevent unauthorized access and protect against accidental contact, enhancing safety.

Question 42: Why is it important to label electrical panels and circuits clearly?

- A) To make electrical panels look more attractive
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To provide clear identification for safety and maintenance purposes

Answer: D) To provide clear identification for safety and maintenance purposes

Explanation: Clear labeling of electrical panels and circuits is important for safety and maintenance purposes to provide clear identification.



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Question 43: What should you do if you notice unusual odors or signs of overheating coming from electrical equipment?

- A) Ignore it, as it is likely temporary
- B) Document it for future reference
- C) Investigate the issue and take appropriate action, such as disconnecting power and reporting it
- D) Continue using the equipment without concern

Answer: C) Investigate the issue and take appropriate action, such as disconnecting power and reporting it

Explanation: If you notice unusual odors or signs of overheating coming from electrical equipment, it's important to investigate the issue and take appropriate action, such as disconnecting power and reporting it to prevent potential hazards.

Question 44: Why is it essential to have "emergency evacuation plans" in place for electrical emergencies?

- A) To increase electrical efficiency
- B) To make the workplace look more attractive
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To ensure that personnel know how to safely evacuate in case of emergencies

Answer: D) To ensure that personnel know how to safely evacuate in case of electrical emergencies

Explanation: Emergency evacuation plans for electrical emergencies are in place to ensure that personnel know how to safely evacuate in case of electrical hazards or emergencies.



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Question 45: What should you do if you encounter a damaged or malfunctioning electrical tool or appliance?

- A) Continue using it, as it may still function adequately
- B) Document it for future reference
- C) Report it immediately and discontinue use until it's repaired or replaced
- D) Attempt to repair it yourself

Answer: C) Report it immediately and discontinue use until it's repaired or replaced

Explanation: If you encounter a damaged or malfunctioning electrical tool or appliance, it's important to report it immediately and discontinue use until it's repaired or replaced to prevent potential hazards.

Question 46: Why is it important to avoid using electrical equipment or appliances with frayed or damaged cords?

- A) To make the equipment look more attractive
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires
- D) To improve equipment performance

Answer: C) To prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires

Explanation: Avoiding the use of electrical equipment or appliances with frayed or damaged cords is important to prevent electrical shock hazards and reduce the risk of electrical fires.



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Question 47: What is the primary purpose of "ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs)" in outdoor electrical outlets?

- A) To make the outlets look more attractive
- B) To increase electrical resistance
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To prevent electrical shock hazards by detecting ground faults

Answer: D) To prevent electrical shock hazards by detecting ground faults

Explanation: Ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) in outdoor electrical outlets are used to prevent electrical shock hazards by detecting ground faults and interrupting the circuit.

Question 48: What is the purpose of "arc flash hazard analysis" in electrical safety?

- A) To increase electrical resistance
- B) To make workers more visible
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To assess the risk of arc flash incidents and implement safety measures

Answer: D) To assess the risk of arc flash incidents and implement safety measures

Explanation: Arc flash hazard analysis is performed in electrical safety to assess the risk of arc flash incidents and implement safety measures to protect workers.



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Question 49: Why is it important to have "emergency response procedures" in place for electrical accidents?

- A) To increase electrical efficiency
- B) To make the workplace look more attractive
- C) To control the voltage in electrical circuits
- D) To ensure a coordinated and effective response to electrical accidents

Answer: D) To ensure a coordinated and effective response to electrical accidents

Explanation: Emergency response procedures for electrical accidents are in place to ensure a coordinated and effective response to such incidents.

Question 50: What should you do if you encounter a downed power line on a vehicle or structure?

- A) Attempt to move the vehicle or structure away from the power line
- B) Stay inside the vehicle or structure until help arrives
- C) Exit the vehicle or structure immediately and move away, ensuring that no one touches both the vehicle or structure and the ground at the same time
- D) Ignore the power line and continue as usual

Answer: C) Exit the vehicle or structure immediately and move away, ensuring that no one touches both the vehicle or structure and the ground at the same time

Explanation: If you encounter a downed power line on a vehicle or structure, it's crucial to exit the vehicle or structure immediately and move away, ensuring that no one touches both the vehicle or structure and the ground at the same time to avoid electrical shock hazards.



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