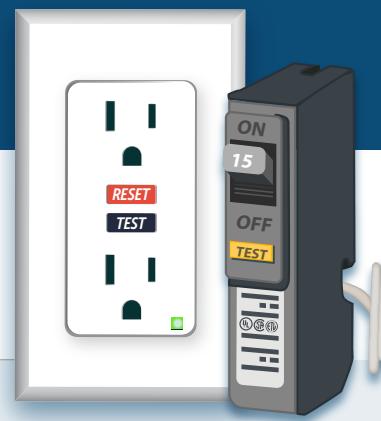


HOW TO USE GFCIs

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM ELECTRIC SHOCKS

Ground-Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) are available as circuit breakers and receptacles. Since the introduction of GFCIs, there has been a **95% drop in electrocutions** caused by consumer electronics.



GFCIs are Required in the Following Areas*



Bathrooms



Garages



Residential Kitchens



Basements



Crawlspaces
(at or below grade)



Sinks*

*receptacles within 6 ft



Laundry Areas



Spas & Hot Tubs*

*receptacles within 6 ft



Outdoor Receptacles



Hardwire Outlets
(such as air conditioning units and heat pumps)



Indoor Damp
or Wet Areas



Commercial Kitchens

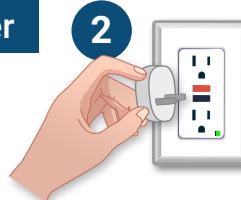
*GFCIs are also commonly used in metal enclosure appliances and in humid areas

How to Use and Test GFCIs

GFCIs **work automatically**, shutting off power whenever a ground-fault happens, which can occur if equipment **gets wet**.

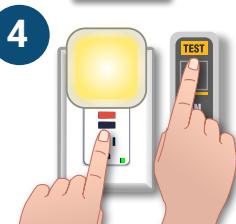
To Test a GFCI Outlet or Breaker

1 Locate the GFCI outlet and press the **RESET** button

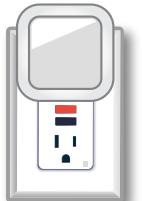


2 Plug in a nightlight or similar device

4 Press the **TEST** button on the outlet or breaker



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3 The device should **be on**



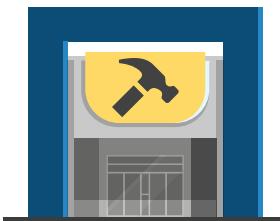
The device should **be on**

6 The device should **turn off**. If testing a breaker, the breaker will be in the **off position**



Press the **RESET** button or switch the breaker to the **on position** – the device should **turn back on**

If the test or reset functions do not work, the GFCI should be replaced



Purchase a GFCI from a **reputable retailer**



Look for GFCIs that have been **certified by an OSHA recognized testing lab**



Don't have a GFCI in an area required by the National Electrical Code? Have a **qualified electrician** install one to prevent electrocutions