

ELECTRICAL SAFETY CODE REQUIREMENTS

The Electrical Safety Code, a Provincial Regulation, requires that all electrical equipment must be approved before it may lawfully be advertised, displayed, offered for sale, sold or otherwise disposed of or used in Ontario.

- It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to ensure that all electrical equipment in, on, or about his/her booth comply with these regulations. This includes electrical merchandise as well as lighting and display equipment.
- One of the fundamental requirements of approval is that appropriate approval markings must appear on each device. If such markings are missing, the device must be considered unapproved, and therefore, subject to special inspections.
- Your electrical equipment is considered approved if it bears the certification mark or Field Evaluation label of an organization accredited by the Standards Council of Canada. Electrical goods sold and purchased in Ontario should already have these markings. To verify if your electrical equipment is already approved and for additional information, you can view Recognized Certification Markings [here](#) or contact the Electrical Safety Authority.
 - If your equipment is **not already approved** and you wish to **display but not to connect or provide electricity** to your electrical equipment you are required to obtain a **“Permission to Show”** from the Electrical Safety Authority and pay the necessary fees. Please complete the [form](#) and return to the Electrical Safety Authority.
 - If your equipment is **not already approved** and you wish to **provide electricity to** (plug in) your electrical equipment, you are required to obtain **“Permission to Energize”** from the Electrical Safety Authority and pay the necessary fees. Please complete the form on the following pages and return to the Electrical Safety Authority.
- Failure to comply with the Ontario Electrical Safety Code could result in the equipment being ordered removed from display and could result in charges under the Electricity Act.

CONTACT

All requests and inquiries regarding electrical approvals for equipment should be directed to:

Electrical Safety Authority
P.O. Box 24143, Pinebush Postal Outlet
Cambridge, ON N1R 8E6
Tel: 1 (877) 372-7233
Fax: (800) 667-4278
Contact: Customer Service Centre

Please submit necessary forms to ESA by August 28, 2023.