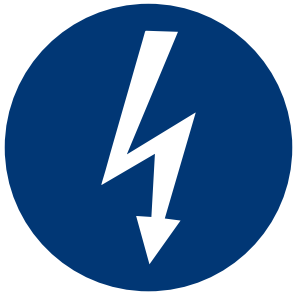




**084 124**



# ELECTROCUTION



## PREVENTION

- Do not overload power points.
- Avoid exposed electrical wires.
- Stay indoors during lightning storms.



## SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Burn wounds
- Injuries, including fractures and spinal injuries, caused by muscle contraction and being flung against items
- Heart rhythm disturbances
- Loss of consciousness
- Cardiac arrest



## TREATMENT

- Avoid exposure to the electricity source. If possible, switch it off.
- Remove the patient from the electrical source to a safe area.
- Check the patient's circulation, airway and breathing.
- If there are no signs of life, start CPR immediately.
- If a patient is breathing but unconscious, place the person in the recovery position.
- Cover the burn wounds with clean, nonabsorbent material, such as clingwrap.
- Monitor the patient until an ambulance arrives.

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY, CALL ER24 ON 084 124.