

# Electrics

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## Wiring: Inspection and Testing

The Council for the Care of Churches recommends that churches have their electrical installations inspected and tested every five years. The inspection and testing should be carried out in accordance with IEE Regulations, Nos. 712 and 713, and an inspection certificate obtained in every case.

The switchgear in the church should be labelled to show:

- a. the date of the most recent inspection, and
- b. the date of the recommended future inspection.

The Church Authorities should ensure that a thorough physical examination of all portable appliances is conducted regularly to ensure that worn flexes, broken plugs or sockets etc. are replaced immediately.

The Health and Safety Executive publication *Maintaining portable electrical equipment in offices and other low-risk environments*, Ref. INDG236 11/97 C1250, gives guidance on how and when inspections should be carried out.