

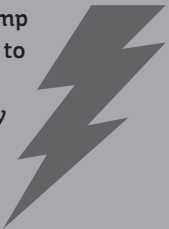


# DON'T BE A SHOCK ABSORBER!

Contact NIE Networks on 03457 643 643  
at the planning stage to request cable  
drawings for your work site.

# WATCH OUT CABLES ABOUT

Electricity can jump gaps - Always try to stay at least **5 METRES** away from overhead electricity equipment.



Before carrying out any work, always walk the worksite and access routes to check for overhead power lines. Goalposts, barriers and signage should be used where appropriate. See HSE Guidance document GS 6 for further information.



Be particularly careful when moving plant or equipment, especially tall machines or those with long booms.

Before you start any excavation, check colour cable drawings, use a cable locator tool and mark out the location of electricity cables.



Never disturb electricity cables and joints, or their protective covers.

Where mechanical excavators are used, a banksman must always observe the excavation.



Dig sufficient trial holes using suitable hand tools to establish the line and depth of electricity cables before starting the main excavation work.



All excavation work should be carried out in accordance with HSE Guidance document HSG 47 'Avoiding Danger from Underground Services'



If you damage a cable, stop work immediately and move away from the damaged cable. Contact NIE Networks immediately on 03457 643 643. Do not return to the area of damage and keep others away. Do not attempt to repair damaged cables.



Never return to the machinery and keep all people well away from any broken wires or vehicles in contact with an overhead power line.

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