

Safety advice regarding trees near power lines

Tree huts

Before building a tree hut make sure the tree is nowhere near power lines. Coming into contact with power lines can cause serious injury or death.

Items on lines or branches

Before climbing a tree to retrieve an item caught on a branch, check there are no power lines in the vicinity. If there are power lines in the vicinity, **never** try to remove the item yourself.

Please call Orion on 03 363 9898 to arrange for one of our service teams to come and remove the item.

Don't underestimate tree trimming

Trimming trees near power lines can be extremely hazardous and should not be underestimated. Contact with a power line can cause:

- injury or death to yourself, family or passers-by
- damage to property and other trees
- damage to electrical appliances
- damage to power supply facilities
- damage to death to livestock.

Orion realises that the trimming of trees is not something the public generally has expertise in. We recommend you hire professionals with the necessary expertise and safety procedures to competently carry out this work. We are happy to assist or advise you on this.

For more information about working with qualified tree professionals and to obtain an up-to-date list of independent tree care contractors in your area, please contact our call centre on 03-363-9898.