# Investigation of Fires of Electrical Origin

# Natl Fire Protection Assn - What started the Glass fire? Cal Fire investigators focus on origin point



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# Fire investigation

Electrical Fires Fires and explosions resulting from electrical failures or electrical malfunctions can cause extensive amounts of damage. Other fires are started by faults in appliance cords, receptacles and switches. Fire experts also include private specialists who determine the origin and cause of fires.

## Ignition Point Of Glass Fire Identified and It's \*Possible\* It Wasn't PG&E's Fault

Consider a fire involving a desk; there are lamps, computers, calculators, radios, telephones and charging units on the desktop. After deliberate review of all of the reported, observed, and scientifically recorded data, Nelson was able to conclude that the compressors were not damaged by lightning or an associated power surge.

## Fire Behavior Myths and Misconceptions

Spalling has been shown to be the result of different rates of expansion within the concrete. You get what you pay for.

#### Hands

Natural fires occur without human intervention, traditionally associated with acts of God, such as lightning, wind or earthquakes.

#### Fire Behavior Myths and Misconceptions

The reason appliances have the extra prong is so they can be only used in outlets that can handle the extra amount of electricity that these appliances draw.

# Vehicle Fire

And, be prepared for the usual defense tactic of blaming whatever evidence you decided not to secure. Electrical fire cause 1: Faulty outlets, appliances. Here are the 5 most common causes of electrical fires.

# **FACTS on Electrical Fires**

This indicates to us that Cal Fire has not identified a particular origin or cause. Note that in both cases there will be more damage to vertical arrangements than to horizontal arrangements, again due to fire behavior. Thrifty and parsimonious decisions when it comes to retaining an expert have a way of ensuring that you are simply throwing good money after bad.

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