

HIDDEN DANGER



Stay Energy Safe is a service that keeps people and communities safe from the disastrous effects of energy crime. We ensure anyone who contacts us with information stays 100% anonymous.

THE DANGERS OF ENERGY THEFT

Energy theft is extremely dangerous. It could lead to damage to property, serious injury, or even in the worst cases, death.

ELECTRICITY



Shocks and severe burns

Messing with the wiring of your meter could make switches or appliances live to the touch, overheat or malfunction. It risks dangerous shocks and severe burns to anyone using them and can start fires that endanger everyone in the building.



Electrical fires

As well as the risk of electrocution, exposed wires and loose connections in your meter can get so hot that they can start fires. As well as endangering everyone in the property, it can also spread to neighbouring buildings or flats.

GAS



Lethal leaks and house fires

Gas fumes displace the air in a room and can cause headaches and even loss of consciousness. Leaking gas is also highly flammable, and could cause a fire at the flick of a light switch.



Catastrophic explosions

If a large amount of gas escapes from a tampered meter and builds up in the air throughout the building, it could lead to a powerful and devastating explosion.

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METER TAMPERING

THE TELL TALE SIGNS

ELECTRICITY



Damaged casing

The meter casing may be damaged or removed completely and wires or cables have copper showing.



Melted meter

Parts of the meter casing may have scorch or burn marks or show signs of melting.



Extra wires

Extra wires that aren't connected to the meter, a piece of wire with each end pushed into the front of the meter.



Working but no credit

Meter shows credit has run out but electricity is still available.



Meter dials not working

Dials on the meter aren't going around even when electricity is being used or the digital display may be blank.



Burning smell

A smell of something burning or even smoke or sparks near the meter box.

Find out more about electricity theft:
stayenergysafe.co.uk/electricity-theft

GAS



Back to front

The meter has been turned around the wrong way so you can't see the dials.



Smell of gas

A smell of gas around the meter or in the meter box.



Rubber piping or hoses

Where the meter should be, there are bits of rubber tubing or pieces of hosing instead.



Dial has disappeared

There is no visible dial or counter on the meter any more.



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