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# **To Helpful Hints and Tips from Thomas Edison Electric**

### Hint and Tip Number 30: Barbecue Safety

At Thomas Edison Electric, we care for our customers safety so we would like to pass on a few barbecue safety tips to help keep you safe this barbecue season.

## **Before Use**

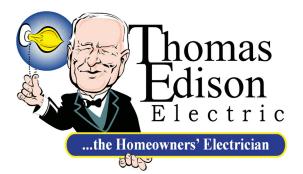
If your barbecue has been sitting for a long period of time (over winter), it will need to be checked before use. Look for:

- Blocked burners or metal tubes near the burners
- Damaged or leaking fittings and hoses:
  - \* Use a soapy water solution and check for bubbles
  - \* If you see bubbles, have the barbecue serviced by an authorized dealer, then recheck for leaks
  - Replace cracked or damaged hoses even if they are not leaking

# **During Use**

Follow these six steps:

- Keep the lid open when lighting it
- Open the shut-off valve on your tank to turn on the gas
- Turn the burner control on the barbecue to the appropriate position
- Ignite the barbecue using the igniter switch or other recommended means, making sure not to lean over the barbecue. If the barbecue doesn't light right away, turn off the gas and wait for the gas to go away before re-lighting
- Never leave a lit grill unattended
- Use long handled cooking utensils and heat-resistant mitts to reduce the risk of burns.





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