

MCLB ALBANY SAFETYGRAM

May is National Electrical Safety Month

SAFETY FROM THE INSIDE: TAMPER RESISTANT RECEPTACLES (TRRs)

Each year approximately **24,000 children** were treated from shock and burns after sticking items into the slots of electrical receptacles. To prevent these types of injuries the **National Electrical Code (NEC®)** now requires **Tamper Resistant Receptacles (TRRs)** in new and renovated homes.

**OUTLET
COVERS
are
OUT**



Studies have shown that **children over the age of 2** can easily remove receptacle covers.



TRRs require **no additional parts**, there's no need to remember put them in.



Tamper resistant receptacle covers are **no longer approved** by independent testing laboratories.



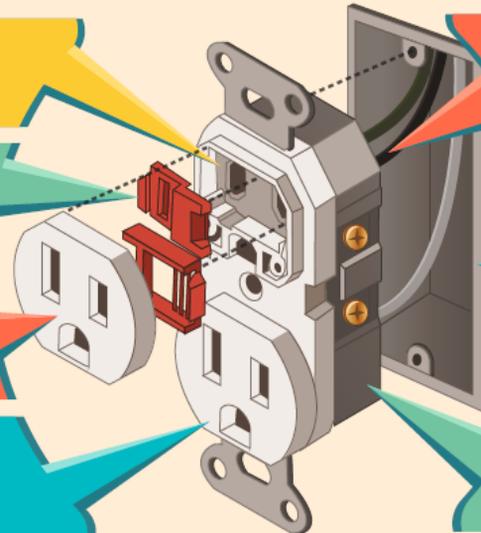
Receptacle covers carry a higher risk of **overheating** and can be a **fire hazard**.

Certified by Independent Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories.

Built in shutters **prevent foreign objects** from being inserted into receptacle.

Permanent solution to receptacle covers.

Installing a **TRR** in your home costs only slightly more than a **traditional receptacle** does.



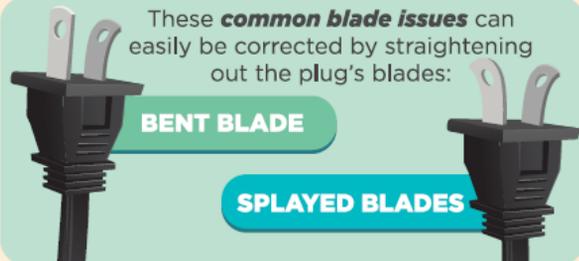
Complies with the most recent version of the **National Electrical Code (NEC®)**.

TRRs are available with **GFCI** and **AFCI** protection.

Regular receptacles can easily be replaced by TRRs by a **qualified electrician** with no additional modifications.

DOES PLUGGING INTO A TRR FEEL DIFFERENT?

The shutters in a **TRR will operate like a traditional receptacle** to open and accept a plug when equal pressure is applied on both sides. Make sure the **plug's blades are straight and are equal lengths**, so they hit the shutter simultaneously.



BENT BLADE

SPLAYED BLADES

SHARP EDGES

Replace plugs with sharp edges.



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