

Common Types of Burn Injuries

Scalds



Scalds are the most common cause of burns. They occur when skin comes into contact with hot liquids or steam.

Flames

Likely sources for flame burns include playing with matches, careless smoking, improper use of flammable chemicals, or clothing ignited by stoves or candles.



Contact



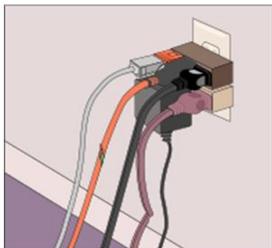
Many burns are caused by contact with hot objects such as metal, plastic, glass and hot coals.

Chemical

Many common household products can cause chemical burns, including detergents, fertilizers and solvents. All chemicals should be stored in a safe, secured location.



Electrical



Contact with live wires or unprotected electrical outlets can also cause burn injuries.

Sunburn

Sunburn is caused by exposure to the sun's ultraviolet radiation. Sunburn can occur through clothes and to people of varied skin tone.

