

Advice to clubs

- Find out where the overhead lines are by contacting the local electricity company.
- Display maps showing the location of lines and emergency telephone numbers.
- Instruct members in rescue and first aid procedures.

If in any doubt, ask the local electricity company.

For your information

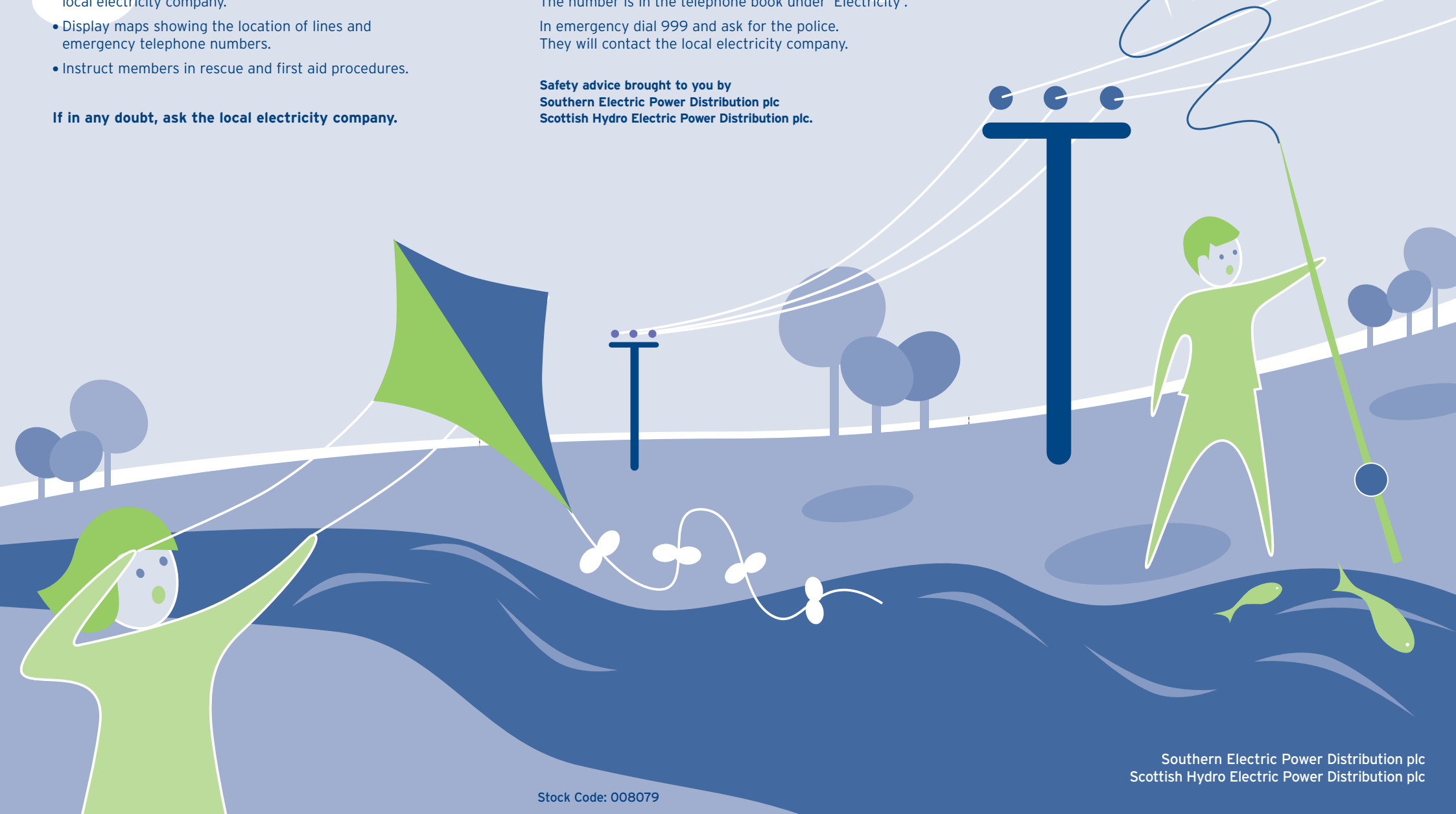
For advice telephone the local electricity company. The number is in the telephone book under 'Electricity'.

In emergency dial 999 and ask for the police. They will contact the local electricity company.

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leisure pursuits



There are overhead electricity lines carrying voltages varying from 415 to 400,000 volts in many parts of the country. Collision with an overhead line can cause serious burns, and electric shocks which can be fatal. The following advice is designed to prevent such incidents.

On or near the water

Keep a lookout for overhead electric cables and pylons before you start your activity.

Always carry long objects horizontally.

Masts and fishing rods **will** conduct electricity.

Remember electricity can jump gaps - so don't get near the wires.

If apparatus does touch the wires - leave it alone and contact the police or the local electricity company.

Rubber boots and waders will not protect you.

Flying (including ballooning, hang gliders, microlights, gliders, kites and model aircraft)

Always survey the area before take off or landing.

If there are overhead lines or pylons within the area - contact the local electricity company for advice on how to proceed.

Remember electricity can jump gaps - so don't get near to the wires.

If your apparatus makes contact with lines or pylons **do not** try to retrieve it - contact the police or the local electricity company.

Don't assume that fallen or broken wires are dead - leave them alone and contact the police or the local electricity company.

Always carry long objects horizontally.

Tents, marquees, caravans and other temporary structures

Always survey the site before you start to erect equipment.

If there are overhead lines or pylons within the area contact the local electricity company for advice on how to proceed.

Remember electricity can jump gaps - so don't get near the wires.

Tent poles, guy ropes, aerials and most other materials **will** conduct electricity.

Don't light fires beneath overhead lines.

Always carry long objects horizontally.

Activity leaders should ensure that their groups understand the danger - particularly when leading youths and children.

