

Contractor Jailed for 30 Days for Performing Illegal Electrical Work



An Inspector with the Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) found that a home renovation had been done without a permit and contained numerous electrical hazards. It was determined that a repeat offender had done the work and had produced an Ontario College of Trade's certificate of qualification to gain employment with two licensed electrical contractors. He was found guilty on eight charges related to performing electrical work illegally and was sentenced to 30 days in jail and fined \$6,250. He also pleaded guilty to five related charges laid by the Ontario College of Trades and was fined an additional \$7,400 plus one year probation for those offences [*Richard Hazel*, ESA News Release, Oct. 7, 2014].