

Theft of Electricity

Interference with ESB Networks' meters and equipment is extremely dangerous and could prove fatal. It is also a criminal offence under the Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1995. Theft of electricity by a minority, increases the cost of electricity for the vast majority of customers.

ESB Networks, in its role as the Distribution System Operator (DSO), is obliged under Condition 7 of its DSO licence to take all reasonable steps to detect and prevent:

- a) The theft of electricity
- b) Damage to any electrical plant, electric line and metering equipment, and
- c) Interference with any metering equipment

ESB Networks operates a Revenue Protection Service for the electricity industry. Its role is to investigate cases of alleged unauthorised interference and refer them for prosecution under the 1995 Act.

If you have any suspicion of electricity theft or unauthorised interference with ESB Networks' meters or equipment, please contact ESB Networks' Revenue Protection Service as follows:

- Lo-call **1850 211 827**
- E-mail: REVP.esbnetworks@esb.ie
- Alternatively ring ESB Networks' emergency number **1850 372 999**

Please note that any information provided to ESB Networks will be treated in the strictest confidence.