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OVEN INCIDENT

An electrician recently received a fatal electric shock whilst changing a wall oven. The old oven had been removed and it would appear that the circuit had been relivened to test the wiring to identify the phase conductors using a test lamp, when contact was made with live parts. The feed to the wall oven was a 2-phase supply but single core cables, all with red insulation, were run in the wall from the oven switch to the recess for the wall oven. It would appear that the original wiring installation was done in the 1960's.