Know the basics - ELECTRICAL SAFETY



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ELECTRICAL HAZARDS





PREVENTION IS....



BE SAFE:

- Burns
- Electrocution
- Shock
- Arc flash/arc blast
- Fire
- Explosions

EXAMPLES OF FATAL ACCIDENTS

Case #1:

Worker electrocuted when the ladder met overhead power lines

Case #2:

Worker electrocuted when mast met high voltage overhead lines

Case #3:

Worker changing energized ballast on light fixture was electrocuted and fell to the concrete floor while working from an 8' fiberglass stepladder.

PICTURIZING RISK SCENARIOS

Contact with overhead power lines:

- Overhead and buried power lines carry extremely high voltage
- Risks
 - Electrocution (main risk)
 - Burns and falls



TYPES OF ELECTRICAL HAZARDS

Defective equipment or tools





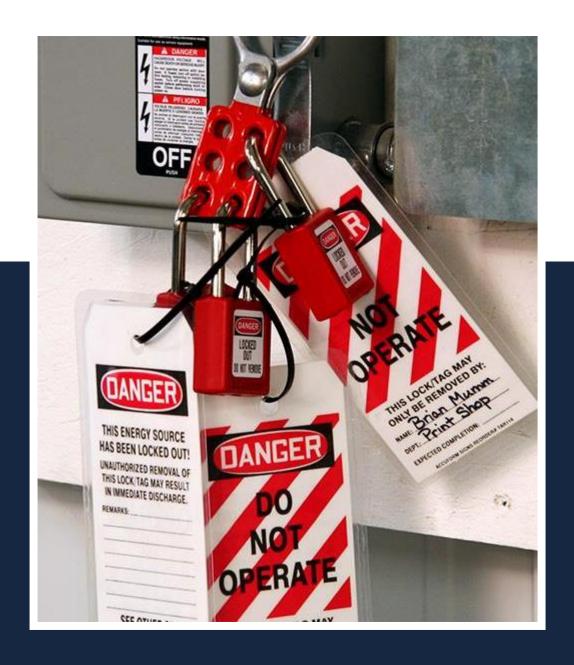


Inspect portable tools and extension cords:

- Workers need to inspect extension cords prior to their use for any cuts or abrasion.
- Electric hand tools that are old, damaged, or misused may have damaged insulation inside.

Follow lockout/tagout (LOTO) procedures:

- Lockout/tagout
 - Essential safety procedure
 - Protects workers from injury while working on or near electrical circuits and equipment
 - Prevents contact with operating equipment parts such as, blades, gears, shafts, etc.





 LOTO prevents the unexpected release of hazardous gases, fluids, or solid matter in areas where workers are present.

Power source identification:

- Mark all breakers accordingly for the circuits they protect
- Mark all disconnect means accordingly for the equipment they service
- Identify all voltages with proper labeling



EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS

Employer requirements to protect workers:

- Ensure overhead power line safety
- Isolate electrical parts
- Supply ground-fault circuit interrupters (GFCI) protection
- Establish and implement an AEGCP
- Ensure power tools are maintained in a safe condition







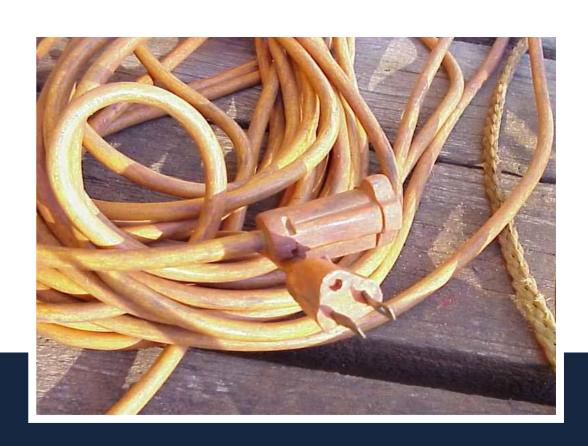


EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS

Employer requirements to protect workers:

- Ensure proper guarding
- Provide training
- Enforce LOTO safety related work practices
- Ensure proper use of flexible cords and power strips
- Ensure proper identification of power sources

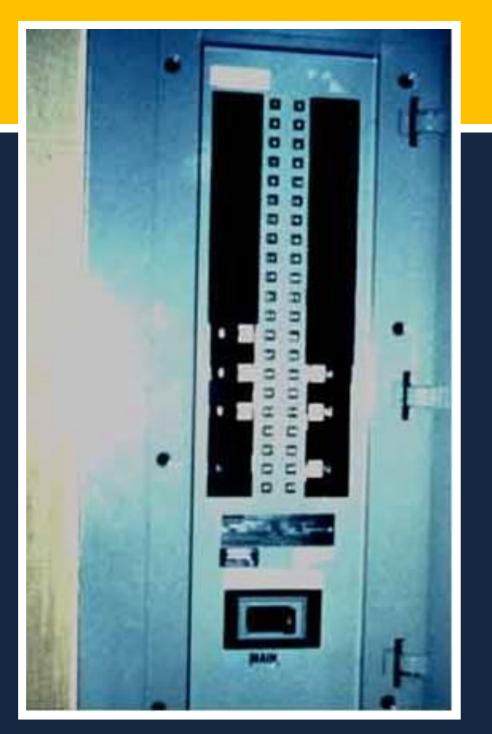
SO, FOLKS, AS WE END, WE ASK – WHAT'S WRONG HERE?





Identify the hazards in these photos





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