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# Safety Tip of the Week

## Electrical Safety - Test Before You Touch

All it takes is one mistake and the results can be lethal. According to the Electrical Safety Foundation International, every year thousands of workers are injured or killed by circuits they thought were safely turned off.

Many electrically related fatalities and injuries can be avoided. Here are some tips to remind you what you need to do before you touch circuits:

- De-energize the circuit;
- Lock out;
- Tag out;
- Test the circuit; and
- Verify the testing device.

There are many different electrical hazards in any one workplace. It is important to understand electrical safety and respect the dangers electricity poses.

Never work on energized equipment. Always follow proper lock and tag out procedures before performing electrical work.

Test the power after locking and tagging out to ensure there is no power being fed to what you are working on.

Above all, never assume that the equipment or system is de-energized.

**Remember to always...TEST BEFORE YOU TOUCH!!**



**Treat all circuits as live until they are tested!**

**DISCONNECT FIRST...OR BE NEXT FOR THE HEARSE!!**