

FACE IT

Worker Safety Matters When Working Near Power Lines

A maintenance worker was electrocuted when his shoulder touched an energized power line while he was installing lines for security cameras.

Employers can take actions to keep workers safe near power lines.

Injury Prevention Recommendations



Determine and communicate safe distances for workers and equipment while working near power lines.



Train and evaluate workers on the selection, inspection, and safe operation of elevated bucket trucks.

Contact the utility provider if workers are unable to establish and maintain safe distances from power lines.



Develop and apply operating procedures and communication plans for lone workers.

Make sure workers use appropriate insulating gloves, blankets, tools, and eye protection.



Provide electrical competent and qualified worker training.



See FACE Report 2019-01
for more information:

cdc.gov/niosh/face/in-house/full201901.html



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