

THE COMPASS

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WHY:

We believe effective safety is good business.

HOW:

Helping businesses succeed through partnering to prevent accidents & injuries.

VISION:

To be your first resource for safety.

MOTTO:

Safety in all directions



Our Team

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A Few of Our Customers

*Algar Recycling
Bob Ray Company
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CMTA
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SAFETY TOPIC OF THE MONTH

1910.147 Lockout / Tagout

Addresses the practices and procedures necessary to disable machinery or equipment, thereby preventing the release of hazardous energy while employees perform servicing and maintenance activities.

Also, 1910.333 sets forth requirements to protect employees working on electric circuits and equipment.

Employees need to be trained to ensure that they know, understand, and follow the applicable provisions of the hazardous energy control procedures.

The training must cover at least three areas:

1. Aspects of the employer's energy control program;
2. Elements of the energy control procedure; and
3. And the various requirements of the OSHA standards related to lockout/tagout.

TO DO LIST

1. Read OSHA 1910.147.
2. Visit OSHA webpage on LOTO and become familiar with resources.
3. Initiate a team to survey facility and record all machines, equipment & tasks that unexpected energy could result in an accident.
4. Develop an Energy Control Program.
5. Develop specific LOTO Safe Job Procedures for each machine, equipment & task.
6. Ensure valves, switches, etc. can be locked out.
7. Conduct LOTO training.
8. Annually, review LOTO program and SJP's.
9. Lead, follow-up, communicate and hold employees accountable.

KY OSHA Citations Related to Lockout / Tagout

- Employer did not have lockout/tagout program in place for employees using presses and entering heat rooms. **\$2,750**
- Employer allowed tagout instead of lockout for employees entering a tank to retrieve parts. **\$2,200**
- Employer did not require employees to lockout pneumatic energy source and instead used tagout. Employee's finger was amputated while he was cleaning ball valve. **\$6,300**
- Employer did not develop and utilize specific LOTO SJP (Safe Job Procedure) for a particular machine. **\$6,300**
- Lockout/tagout program was not inspected annually. **\$6,300**
- Employer did not establish an energy control program that included employee training and periodic inspections. Also employer did not develop machine-specific LOTO Safe Job Procedures. **\$3,500**



HOME SAFETY

Boating

Everyone enjoys being out on the water and boating. It is always important to be aware of the risks and things you can do to ensure SAFETY.

- Never use drugs or alcohol while operating a boat.
- Understand all boating traffic regulations on the lake.
- Have a life jacket on board for each individual, and a throw device readily available.
- Have a whistle aboard so if you are in trouble you can grab the attention of another boat passing by.
- Have a good first aid kit on board.
- Have a weather radio and always be aware of weather patterns around you.
- Inform someone of where you are going and what time you plan to return especially if boating alone.
- While the boat is in motion be sure all passengers remain seated.
- Always be aware of other boats and swimmers.
- Never drive directly behind a skier or tuber.

On the lighter side....

Did you know..

A man died while cleaning machinery with gasoline, which dripped onto a rat that was running across the floor. The rat's gasoline-coated fur ignited when it ran beneath a heater with a pilot light, causing an explosion.

"If you don't want your wife to spend your retirement account, don't get hurt on the job today."

When an employment application asks who is to be notified in case of emergency, I always write, "A very good doctor."

Recent OSHA NEWS

Water. Rest. Shade.

As temperatures rise across the country, employers must ensure the safety of their workers. Establishing a prevention program and recognizing the signs of heat exhaustion and stroke are key. Water, rest, and shade go a long way. <https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/heatillness/index.html>

TIP: Soft drinks are refreshing & tasty, however don't forget the water. Have water first thing in morning.

Protect outdoor workers from Zika virus

Workers who spend time outdoors may be at risk for contracting the mosquito-born Zika virus. To protect them, employers should take measures outlined in this interim guidance from OSHA and NIOSH. See OSHA's website. <https://www.osha.gov/zika/index.html>

Improved Injury Tracking

Under a new rule, employers will soon be required to electronically submit their OSHA 300 Logs, some of which will be posted to the OSHA website. Learn about coming deadlines and procedures on OSHA's website. <https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/finalrule/index.html>

Ideas, Thoughts, Challenges & Questions

What do you do???

"Employees are NOT locking out !!!
We have conducted LOTO training.
We have written LOTO SJP's on equipment.
Everybody knows the rules, they just won't do it".

Opinion:

This is NOT a compliance issue, this is a "LEADERSHIP" issue.

1. Review OSHA regulation 1910.147.
2. Review & update your company LOTO Program.
3. Set the example.
4. Hold employees accountable.



Verse:

Colossians 3:23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart as if working for the Lord, not for men.

Application:

If you're driving nails, be the best nail driver you can. If you're preparing a training lesson, make it the best lesson you've taught. (Research, be creative, do your homework, rehearse, and don't do anything 1/2 effort. We can always do better. The vine has many branches and we all have our part to play in this world. Do your best, serve with love.