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	TOOLBOX / TAILGATE TALK	Presenter:

Electrocution

Introduction

1. Review any accidents or "near accidents" from the past week.
2. Describe the hazards of the work as they relate to your project. Explain or show the SAFE way of doing the job.
3. Give the Tool Box Safety Talk

Electricity can, and does kill. Over four hundred workers die each year from contact with electrical energy, the fifth leading cause of workplace deaths. Construction workers, including laborers, electricians, painters, and others account for almost half the total. Take steps to help minimize risk of electrocution:

- Stay at least 10 feet away from overhead power lines.
- Keep all tools and equipment away from high voltage lines. You can get a serious shock if anything you're using or carrying accidentally contacts a line.
- Use ground-fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) on all 120-volt, single-phase, 10, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles.
- Ground all power supply systems, electrical circuits, and electrical equipment.
- Use double insulated tools.
- Follow safe work practices when working on/with electrical equipment. Use insulated gloves and tools when working with high voltage equipment.



If you find someone who has suffered an electric shock, don't touch the person until power has been disconnected.

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