

# Individual Lockout vs Group Lockout

**Individual Lockout** requires each authorized employee to secure energy-isolating devices, typically with a padlock or tag. Each authorized employee places their personal lockout device on each energy isolating device before beginning work.

**Group Lockout** is generally more complex. Several authorized employees may need to service machinery that has multiple energy sources and many energy-isolating devices. In this case, one person is assigned all responsibility for securing each energy-isolating device and delegating responsibilities to the other employees. Group Lockout operations require more coordination and communication between all employees involved.

## 7 Steps to Group Lockout

- **1.** Supervisor notifies all other authorized employees of Group Lockout Procedure.
- 2. Supervisor secures each Lockout point with a device, padlock and tag.
- **3.** Supervisor places all padlocks keys inside Lock Box.
- Other authorized employees performing service place Padlock on Lock Box.
- **5.** Upon completion of Group Lockout Procedure, each authorized employee removes their Padlock from the Lock Box.
- **6.** Once all Padlocks are removed from Lock Box, the supervisor retrieves all keys from inside the Lock Box.
- **7.** Supervisor removes padlocks from the power source(s) and equipment is ready to use.

# Be Organized and Compliant

Utilize these products in your facility to improve Group Lockout.

#### **Lockout Boxes**

A portable Lock Box ensures all equipment stays locked out until all workers have completed their work.



The supervisor locks out the energy sources and drops the keys into the box.

### **Lockout Stations**

Secure locks, tabs and devices in one convenient location with filled or unfilled lockout stations. Filled stations include all lockout devices needed to secure hazardous equipment.



