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# What is Lockout/Tagout?

Lockout/Tagout is ensuring a safety procedure is in place to disable dangerous machinery or equipment in efforts to prevent the release of potentially hazardous energy and most importantly prevent employee injuries and fatalities







10% of all industrial accidents are caused by failure to properly control hazardous energy



There are 250,000 Lockout/Tagout incidents, resulting in 50,000 injuries and over 100 fatalities every year

## What's the **difference?**





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Lockout is physically ensuring a machine is inoperable while repairs or adjustments are being made with the use of a Tagout is clearly communicating to workers that the equipment is being serviced with labels and tags when lockout is not a viable option



## **5** Most Frequently Cited OSHA Regulations

**1.** Failure to establish a written energy control program.

- 2. Failure to develop machine-specific lockout procedures.
- 3. Failure to properly train employees.
- 4. Failure to conduct periodic audits.
- 5. Failure to provide or utilize lockout devices.

## 3 Standards You Need to Know:



### **OSHA 29CFR 1910.147 (The Control of Hazardous Energy)**

Workers who are performing or servicing machines and who are exposed to unexpected start-up should be fully trained on the control of hazardous energy.

## 2

## **OSHA 29CFR 1910.333 (Electrical Safety)**

Safety-related work practices shall be employed to prevent electric shock when work is performed near or on equipment or circuits which may be energized.

## 3

## ANSI Z244.1-2003 (Lockout/Tagout and Alternative Methods)

A voluntary national consensus standard representing hazardous energy control best practices which promotes use of alternative methods based on risk assessment and application of hazard control hierarchy.

**4 Steps** to Creating a Energy Compliant Control Program

### **Identify all Energy Control Points**

Reduce the time it takes to perform lockout and avoid isolating the wrong energy sources by identifying all control points.

#### Create an Energy Control Policy & Procedure

Implement practices to shut down equipment and prevent the release of potentially hazardous energy.

#### Equip Employees with Lockout Devices

Utilize Lockout Devices to hold an energy-isolating device in a safe position and prevent accidental start-up of machinery.

#### Train Employees and Promote Awareness

OSHA requires all employees be trained in accordance with their specific roles and responsibilities.

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