

Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members



Top Electrical Hazards Series: Safety Message

Inadequate Use of Insulated Protective Equipment (IPE)

Insulated Protective Equipment (IPE) is used in electrical work to keep employees away from energized parts and equipment, as well as to keep energized conductors away from the grounded surface of poles and cross-arms. This significantly reduces electrical hazards for linemen. The risk of electrocution increases when workers aren't covered up. Mishaps are likely to occur when workers are needed to move their covers during a job due to a lack of cover-up. Prior to the start of a job, employers should prepare ahead and ensure that their workers have enough insulated protective equipment.