“Lockout/Tagout” (LOTO) refers to specific practices and procedures that protect employees from unexpected startup of machinery or release of hazardous energy.

OSHA estimates that compliance with the LOTO Standard saves 120 lives and prevents 50,000 injuries each year.

Steps to complete LOTO:

1. Notify affected employees of the equipment shut down.
2. Power down the equipment following its shut down procedure.
3. Close all energy-isolating devices identified on the LOTO procedure.
4. Apply locks and tags on all energy-isolating devices.
5. Dissipate or restrain stored or residual energy.
6. Verify that the equipment is completely de-energized by attempting to cycle it.

LOTO Training:
Required for all employees that service or maintain equipment.

For More Information:
Please review the “LOTO” policy on the Environmental Health and Safety website.

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