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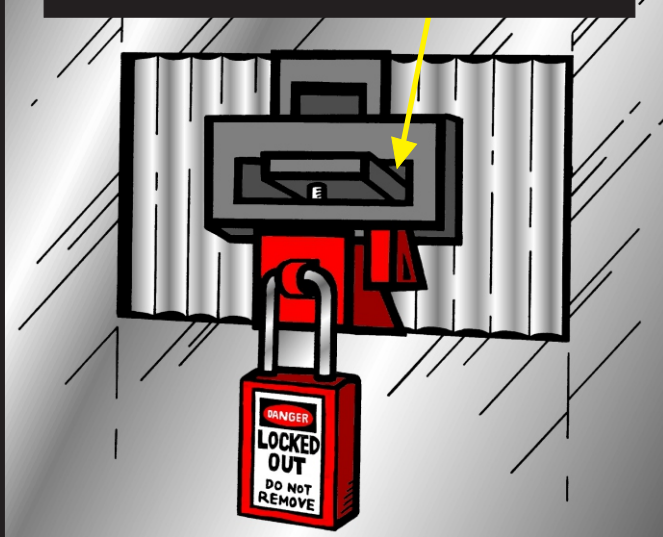
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ELECTRICALLY CHARGED OR "HOT" SWITCH GEAR



LOCKOUT & TAGGOUT NEEDED



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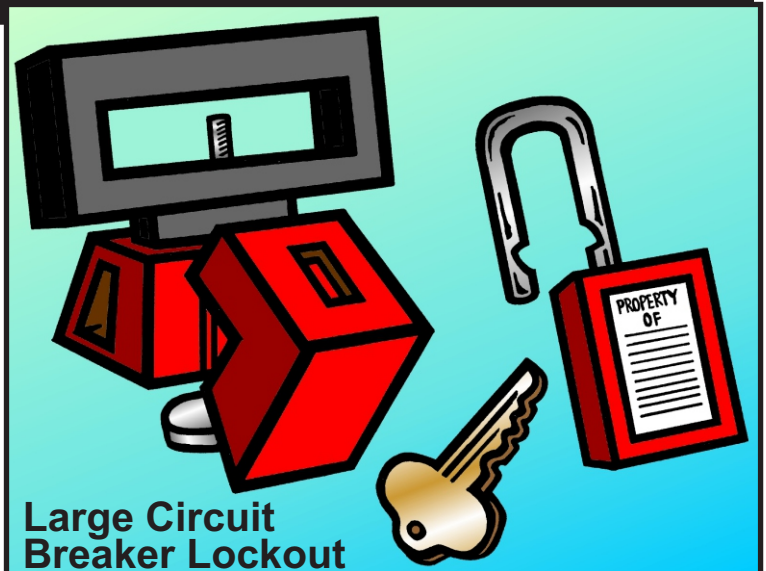
Electrician's will still need to continue to work on some parts of the building wiring system and they will need to be protected from the electricity. and it is at this point that locking out and tagging of the electrical switch gear is so important. In the electrical closet every switch that is electrically charged will need to be locked to ensure the disconnecting of the power.

When mechanical equipment needs to be de-energized and its power is being serviced from the switch gear located in the electrical closet, the switch breaker should be locked out with the appropriate lockout device (see illustration).

If another craft were to come into the room and turn on the power the results could be fatal. So always identify the electrical panels that are energized, lockout their power, tag the device and only you maintain possession of the key. This may require purchasing a special universal circuit breaker lockout to fit over the switch gear or if possible locking the door and control the key.

So lets look after the electrician and "Lock it out".

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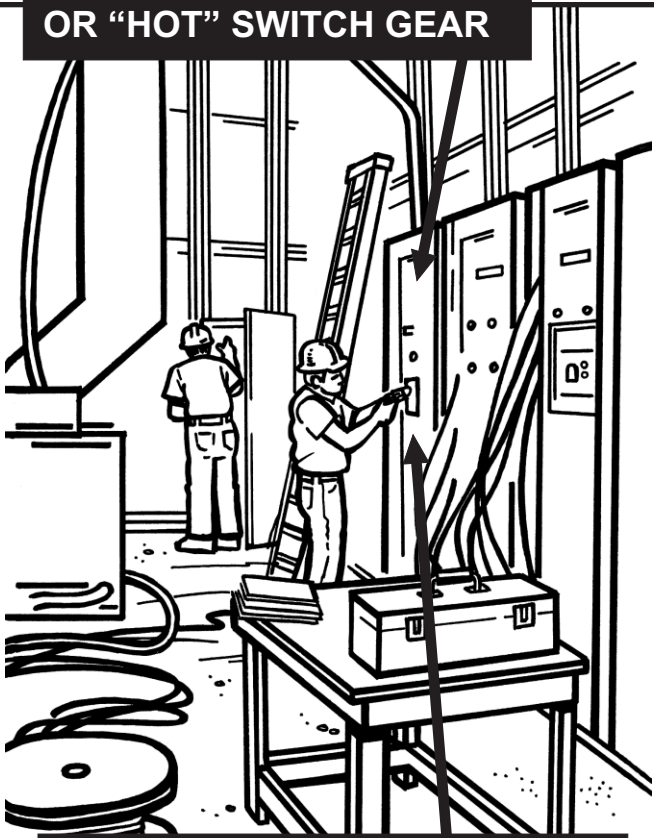


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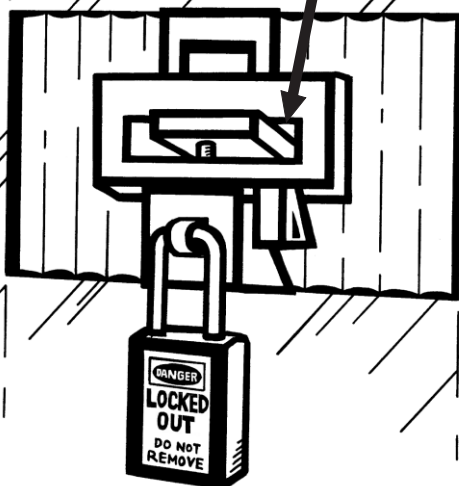
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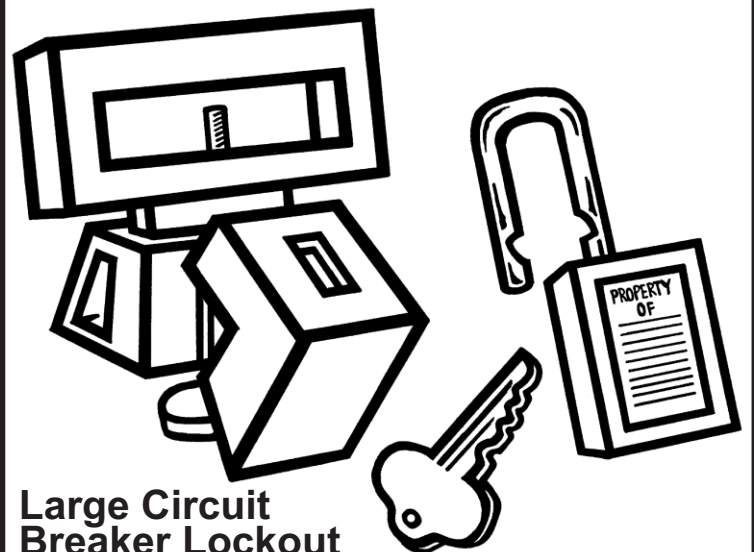
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