

POWERLINE SAFETY



LOOK UP

LOOK OUT

**Watch out for
Overhead
Powerlines**



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LADDERS/ EXTENSIONS

What is the Risk –

Aluminum ladders and extensions will act as conductors of electricity if they contact overhead powerlines. Contact with electrical powerlines can kill.

How to Avoid Risk –

Look Up! Always be aware of overhead powerlines when using ladders and extensions. Ladders should always be carried horizontally when moving from Point A to Point B.



SCAFFOLDING

What is the Risk –

Aluminum scaffolding or scaffolding with aluminum parts will act as a conductor of electricity if they contact overhead lines.

How to Avoid Risk –

Look Up! Be sure to look up for overhead powerlines before constructing or placing any scaffolding beside a building or structure that you are working on.



What is the Risk –

Workers who work on roofs, with ladders and/or scaffolding are at risk of contacting overhead powerlines or powerline connections (masts) on roofs. Ontario statistics identify that 33% of electrical fatalities (electrocutions) are a result of human contact with overhead powerlines.

How to Avoid Risk –

Look Up! Be sure to look up, locate and keep clear of overhead powerlines and masts before you work on roofs, eaves troughs, and siding to ensure you have the necessary clearance.



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