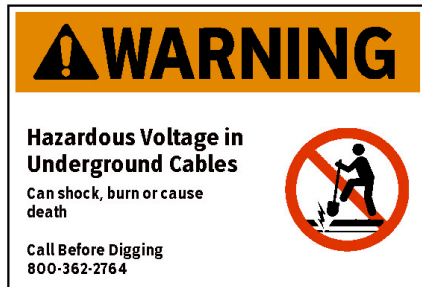


**STAY CLEAR
OF POWER LINES
PROTECT YOUR BUSINESS,
EMPLOYEES AND THE
PUBLIC!**

- Your business depends on obeying rules and regulations to be profitable.
- Your employees might be injured or even killed and you might be held liable for not enforcing clearance rules.
- You might be liable for any damages to power lines, structures or electrical equipment, including loss of revenue.
- You might be liable if someone is injured or killed.



**BEFORE DIGGING AROUND
UNDERGROUND UTILITIES:**

- Call OUPS at (800) 362-2764 at least 48 hours before digging near suspected power lines.
- Visit the OUPS website at www.oups.org for more information.
- Call the local electric company that owns the underground facilities.

**FOR MORE
INFORMATION:**

Go to the OSHA web site at
<http://www.osha.gov/>

**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS,
OR WANT TO REPORT A
HAZARDOUS SITUATION,
CONTACT THE ELECTRIC
UTILITY THAT OWNS THE
POWER LINES.**



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Disclaimer: *This information is provided solely as a public service. Contractors always remain responsible for ascertaining all laws and regulations that apply to them and their work.*



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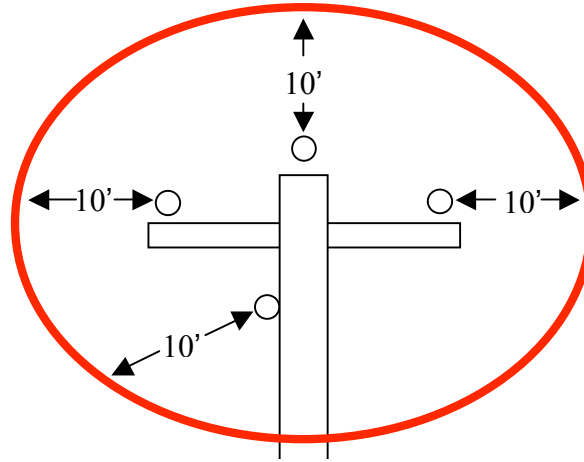
OSHA REQUIRES THAT YOU KEEP EQUIPMENT AT LEAST TEN FEET AWAY FROM POWER LINES!

Vehicular and Mechanical Equipment

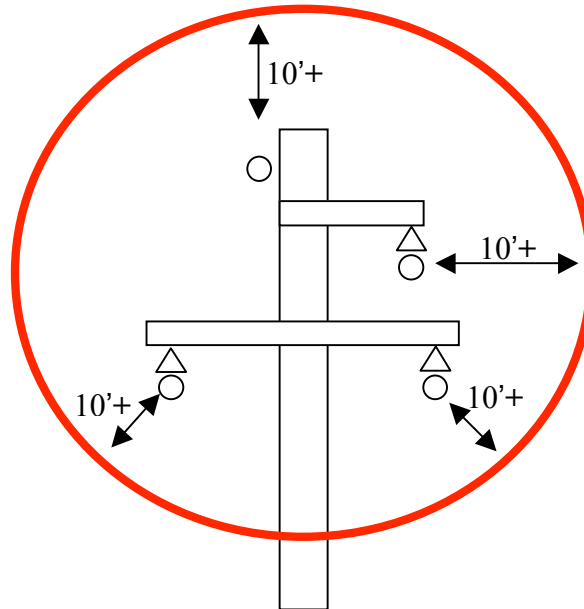
OSHA Regulation 1910.333(c)(3)(iii)(A)

Any vehicle or mechanical equipment capable of having parts of its structure elevated near energized overhead lines shall be operated so that a clearance of 10 ft. (305 cm) is maintained. If the voltage is higher than 50kV, the clearance shall be increased 4 in. (10 cm) for every 10kV over that voltage.

For more information please go to the OSHA web site <http://www.osha.gov/> or contact the local electric utility that owns the power line. The staff there may be able to assist you with a specific situation.



Minimum Approach Distance For Power Lines Under 50,000 volts Is At Least A 10 Foot Minimum Clearance



Minimum Approach Distance for Power Lines Over 50,000 Volts is Ten Feet Plus An Additional Distance Depending On The Additional Voltage

IF YOU MUST WORK NEAR POWER LINES:

- Contact the power company that owns the lines prior to beginning work.
- Do not do any work until you have met with the power company at the job site.
- The power company may be able to help you prevent accidents and explain the minimum approach distances.
- They may be able to move or protect the power lines in some manner.
- **Remember**–Power lines are not insulated



IF YOU HAVE AN INCIDENT:

- Call 911 or your emergency response number immediately if there is fire, property damage or personal injury.
- Contact the owner of the power lines immediately so the power can be disconnected.
- Do not approach or try to move the equipment if it is near or touching the power lines. You can be injured or killed just by coming close to energized equipment. **You might not be able to tell if it is energized or not!**