

**WAC 296-307-32013 Required elements for energy control procedures.** (1) The employer must develop, document, and use procedures to control potentially hazardous energy when employees are engaged in activities covered by this section.

**Exception:** The employer is exempt from documenting procedures for a particular machine or equipment only when all of the following elements exist:  
(a) The machine or equipment has no potential for stored or residual energy or reaccumulation of stored energy after shut down that could endanger employees;  
(b) The machine or equipment has a single energy source that can be readily identified and isolated;  
(c) The isolation and locking out of that energy source will completely deenergize and deactivate the machine or equipment;  
(d) The machine or equipment is isolated from that energy source and locked out during servicing or maintenance;  
(e) A single lockout device will achieve lockout;  
(f) The lockout device is under the exclusive control of the authorized employee performing the servicing or maintenance;  
(g) The servicing or maintenance does not create hazards for other employees; and  
(h) The worksite has experienced no accidents involving the unexpected activation or reenergization of the machine or equipment during servicing or maintenance.

(2) The procedures must clearly and specifically outline the scope, purpose, authorization, rules, and techniques for the control of hazardous energy, and the means to enforce compliance including, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) A specific statement of the intended use of the procedure;
- (b) Specific procedural steps for shutting down, isolating, blocking, and securing machines or equipment to control hazardous energy;
- (c) Specific procedural steps for the placement, removal, and transfer of lockout devices or tagout devices and the responsibility for them; and
- (d) Specific requirements for testing a machine or equipment to determine and verify the effectiveness of lockout devices, tagout devices, and other energy control measures.

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