



Hazardous Energy Control (Lockout/Tag-Out)	
<b>Responsible Official:</b> Chief Operations Officer	<b>Responsible Office:</b> Environmental Health and Safety

### Policy Purpose

This policy specifies the procedures for implementing the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Standard for the Control of Hazardous Energy (Lockout/Tagout), 29 CFR 1910.147.

### Policy Statement

East Tennessee State University (ETSU) is committed to providing a safe and healthy work environment for the campus community. This policy is intended to protect ETSU employees, students, visitors, and other members of the campus community from injury due to the unexpected energizing, start-up, or release of stored energy during the servicing and maintenance of machines, equipment, or systems.

All machines, equipment, and systems that fall within the scope of this policy must be locked-out or tagged-out by authorized employees, in accordance with the [ETSU Office of Environmental Health and Safety's \(EHS\) written energy control procedures](#). All outside contractors working on or at the premises of ETSU will be required to follow substantively similar, OSHA-compliant, procedures.

No ETSU employee, student, or contractor shall attempt to start, energize, or use any machinery, equipment, or system that has been locked-out or tagged-out for servicing or maintenance. The servicing or maintenance of machines, equipment, and systems is solely under the jurisdiction of Facilities Management (or contractors they hire) at ETSU.

This policy applies to all ETSU employees, students, contractors, and others who are exposed to, work with, or supervise operations involving work with hazardous energies on the ETSU campus and its facilities.

Authority: The Focus Act, TCA § 49-8-203, et. seq; Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 29 CFR 1910.147

Previous Policy Implemented December 2014

## Defined Terms

*A defined term has a special meaning within the context of this policy.*

## Policy History

### Effective Date

Initial: 06/12/2023

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## Procedure

[Environmental Health and Safety Lockout/Tagout procedures.](#)

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## Related Form(s)/Links

[OSHA Standard 1910.147](#)

Anyone having questions may contact the [Office of Environmental Health and Safety](#) (423) 439-7784.

## Scope and Applicability

Primary:

Secondary: