

SAFETY BULLETIN

Downed Wire Safety for First Responders

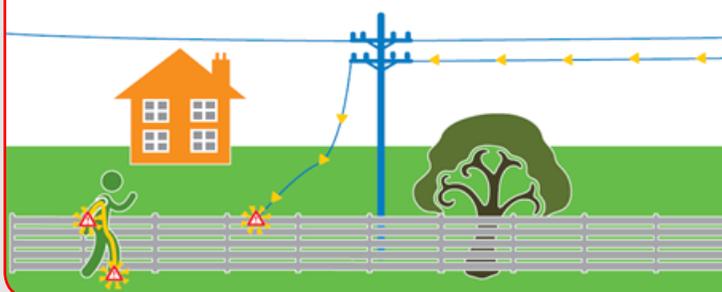
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ONLY CONSUMERS ENERGY employees are qualified to move or work on downed wires. Always assume all wires and equipment are energized, and make sure to always stay at least 25 feet away from the downed wire and anything it may be touching.

- Don't touch anything a line may be touching
- Don't be the path to the ground



BEWARE OF THESE EQUIPMENT HAZARDS

When working near downed wires, Consumers Energy recommends not using the following:



Rubber gloves – NOT to be used for moving wires! The rubber gloves that are used by Consumers Energy employees are tested regularly, specifically approved for working on our electric facilities and are designed to protect against electrocution.



Hot sticks – NOT to be used for moving wires! Hot sticks are used only to alert you if a vehicle or another object is energized. Make sure your tools are up to date and calibrated frequently. They are also shock sensitive.



Voltage testers – NOT to be used to test downed wires! Only use voltage testers for household current testing (inside the house, plugs, etc).

EMERGENCY OFFICIALS PORTAL

Find your local Public Safety Outreach and Damage Prevention representative and see who is on call at our Emergency Officials Portal.

<http://consumersenergy.cloudapp.net/>



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Welcome to the Emergency Officials Portal

This portal is intended as a secure place for emergency officials to gather resources, request training, log issues, make suggestions and learn about new programs as they become available.

Click [here](#) to find your local Public Safety Outreach and Damage Prevention representative.



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To access the Emergency Officials Portal, contact PublicSafety@cmsenergy.com or call **989-245-0980**.

- **Password protected Emergency Officials Portal**
– Access our system maps (electric/natural gas), free safety videos and other resources
- **Dedicated Public Safety Outreach team** –
Provides in-person education sessions for emergency officials on responding to utility-related emergencies.
- If you have questions about this Safety Bulletin, would like to request access to the Emergency Officials Portal, would like additional copies of our first responder guides or to request free training for your department, please contact the Public Safety Outreach Team at **PublicSafety@cmsenergy.com** or visit **ConsumersEnergy.com/safety**.

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