



Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members



Stay Safe When a Power Line Is Down Safety Message

NOTE: A family member of an IMEA member was killed last week when he touched a conductor on the ground so please share this information with your family & friends

<https://www.wane.com/news/local-news/butler-man-dies-after-stepping-on-live-wires-following-crash/>

Be aware of hazards presented by downed power lines. Your life or the life of a family member or friend depends on it.

Never Touch any downed lines!

Never touch anything or anyone in contact with a power line. You could be shocked by contact with the line or a secondary object or person.

When a live wire touches the ground, electricity fans out through the ground (step & touch potential), like when a pebble hits water. You could be shocked when in the area of a downed power line. The minimum safe distance is nearly impossible to calculate so stay as far away as possible.