



Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members



Arc Flash — It Happens Faster Than You Can React

An arc flash can develop in a fraction of a second. A loose connection, dropped tool, equipment failure, or accidental contact can create an electrical arc capable of producing extreme heat, pressure, molten metal, and flying debris. Once the event begins, there is no time to react. Your protection comes from what you did before the job started. Perform the job briefing, identify the electrical hazards, establish the proper approach boundaries, wear the required PPE, and use properly rated tools and equipment.

The time to protect yourself from an arc flash is before the cover comes off and before the work begins.