

Competency: Perform Switching & Tagging

Task: Obtain & Release Non Reclose Order

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This job aid will guide you through the process steps and assist you with safely performing the function with the proper equipment. The purpose of this task is to safely perform energized work.

#### Introduction

Performing this task properly reduces the risk of equipment damage, outages and injury to workers.

This task requires you to communicate with the Distribution Dispatch Center and workers at the job site. When performing this task, your listening and oral communication skills are important. While giving verbal instructions to others, be mindful that use of slang and informal language can create miscommunication with others on the work team. Ask clarifying questions to ensure the correct instructions are understood.

This task requires the use of the **SAFER** HPI Tool as you conduct your job briefing.

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## What you should know before you perform this task:

- job task experience
- SAFER form

error precursors

- circuit map reading
- equipment knowledge
- equipment controls

switching order

- knowledge of task being performed
- Switching and Tagging Policy

- Human Performance tools
- location

hand tools

hot stick inspection

- Scope of Work
- 100



# Safety & HP

• pre-job plan

• job map

SAFER

- Qualify, Validate, Verify
- STAR Stop, Act, Think, Review
- HP magnets

### Tools, Equipment, & Supplies Required

job briefing

• cell phone

atlas

• pencil

switching order

SOS switching documentation

- Human Performance (HP) toolkit
- hot sticks

hold tags

shotgun stick

PPE

PIPE

# Steps to Complete the Task

 Conduct Job Briefing – Required before performing the task.

Employees performing work must have all pertinent information related to a job. This information is shared through a job briefing to employees involved.



\*Ensure the vehicle is parked in a safe location.

\*Identify the location address and phone number in case you have to call 911.

- Complete the job briefing form.
- Identify correct equipment and circuit.

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	Verify hazards.	Summarize the critical steps  Anticipate errors or mistakes
	List all layers of protection.	Foresee potential consequences  Evaluate layers of protection  Review experience
	Present an overview of the job.	
2.	Log on Circuit with the Distribution Dispatch Center (DDC).	
	<ul> <li>Communicate with the dispatcher to identify the circuit or equipment that should be placed on manual control.</li> </ul>	
3.	Perform Walk-Through.  In most cases, this step includes other workers at the site.	
	Use switching order to follow each step of the procedure.	
	<ul> <li>Mark each step on switching order with ½ X.</li> </ul>	
4.	Verify Switching Orders from the Distribution Dispatch Center.	
	<ul> <li>Verify and document the request (REQ) and Switch Order System (SOS) numbers.</li> </ul>	
5.	Place Equipment in Non Reclose.	
	Each employee identifies knowledge of equipment involved.	

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- Communicate a plan of action for the task.
- Determine type of control to place the device on manual.
- 6. Place Equipment Hold Card Tags.
  - Use switching order to determine steps in the process.
  - Determine equipment to be operated (Toggle switch/handle).



- 7. Verify Switching Completed with the Distribution Dispatch Center (DDC).
  - Communicate with the Distribution Dispatch Center as you complete the switching steps.
- 8. Conduct Re-Brief.
  - Use self-checking and STAR (Stop, Think, Act, Review) to identify and eliminate hazards.
- Log On Circuit with Distribution Dispatch Center (DDC).
  - Crews complete work to move wires or phases (8-10 cue)
  - Communicate with the Distribution Dispatch Center.
- 10. Verify Switch Orders to Go Back to Normal with the Distribution Dispatch Center (DDC).

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<ul> <li>Verify with Distribution Dispatch Center the correct Request (REQ) and Switching Order System (SOS) numbers</li> </ul>	
11. Perform Walk-Through.	
<ul> <li>Mark each step in the switching order with an X after completing the step.</li> </ul>	
12. Remove Equipment Hold Card Tags.	
<ul> <li>After getting permission from the Distribution Dispatch Center, remove all equipment hold card tags.</li> </ul>	
13. Switch Recloser Back to Normal.	
<ul> <li>Use the switching order document to operate the correct controls.</li> </ul>	
Follow the correct switching order to return to normal.	
14. Verify with Dispatch and Log Off Circuit.	
<ul> <li>Call the dispatcher to confirm switching has been completed.</li> </ul>	
Log off the circuit with the Distribution Dispatch Center.	

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