



AMERICAS SAFETY ALERT

Important safety communication to help us Work SAFER!

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Elimination of multi-tool from KONE job sites

Work SAFER! – Electrical Safe Work Practices ([EHS-01-5205](#)), Lockout / Tagout ([EHS-01-5200](#)), and Hand and Power Tools ([EHS-01-5112](#))

Distribution: U.S. / Canada KONE technicians; Branch and Field Operations in Construction, Modernization and Service

Issue:

KONE is committed to continuously improving our safety program and culture. As a result of a recent incident in the industry, we made the decision to eliminate all multi-use (Leatherman) tools from the field.

Cause:

A technician from another elevator company was using a multi-use tool, similar to the tool shown below, when he cut / made contact with a live electrical source on the car top. The unit he was performing maintenance on was not locked and tagged out.

Required corrective actions:

To ensure proper tooling and equipment is used in the field, effective Oct. 1, 2019, all multi-use (Leatherman) tools are banned from all KONE job sites and company vehicles.

Tool image:



Note: All tools of this nature are prohibited regardless of brand-name.

Contact (if needed):

A member of the Environment, Health and Safety team.

Reminder: Have a near miss? Let us know, to help continuously improve our ability to Work SAFER! Dial +1.844.NEAR.MISS (1.844.632.7647).

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