

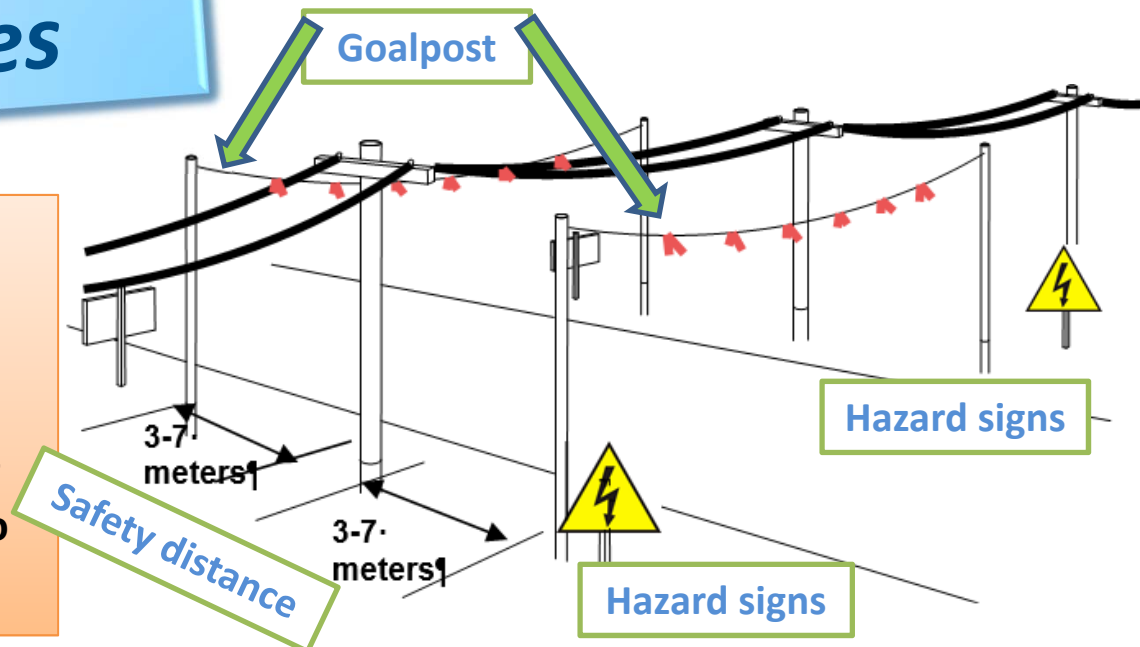
Overhead services Near Misses

NM DESCRIPTION

During the crossing the habitat of a Paywelder was kept frontward and completely lifted in order to allow visibility. The boom of the Paywelder touched a 380V cable and struck it to ground for a length of 3 poles.

CAUSES

- ❖ Safe working area was **not marked** and **Overhead service company was not contacted** prior to starting activities as outlined by procedure.
- ❖ **No “goal post” protection.**
- ❖ **Wrong position of the habitat** during the maneuver.
- ❖ **No electric hazard signs** in all the site.



ACTIONS

- ❖ All electric lines shall be properly **protected-deactivated** or protected with a non-conducting protection sleeve.
- ❖ Installation of typical set-up for a live electric line “**goal post**” as shown in picture.
- ❖ **Supervisors and operators shall be trained into electric lines risks** and awareness increased in reporting unprotected electric lines - damaged or missing portals.