Occasionally, University of Tennessee personnel may Lock and Tag Out Hazardous Energy Sources.

Accidents and injuries associated with unexpected equipment start up during maintenance and repair activities can be serious. Amputations, electrocutions and fatalities can occur due to failure to follow accepted lockout/tagout procedures.

If you encounter what appears to be a Lock Out Tag Out (LOTO) situation do not tamper with or bypass the protections in place.

LOTO should have a lock and a detailed tag explaining who is responsible and appropriate contact information. A LOTO can only be removed by the person who put it in place.

Tape over breakers in electrical panels is not an appropriate substitute for a breaker lock. If you encounter an uncertain situation use caution and immediately notify your supervisor or Environmental Health & Safety (EHS) at 974-5084.

More information can be found in the Safety Manual section of the EHS website: http://ehs.utk.edu

Keep hazardous energy locked up.