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## How to Report Stranded WFF Recreational Beach Animals

### Wallops Island Protected Species

If you see a stranded marine mammal (dolphin, seal, whale, etc.) or sea turtle, contact

- Lori at [lori.m.levine@nasa.gov](mailto:lori.m.levine@nasa.gov) or 301.286.6741 or
- Shane at [jonathan.s.whealton@nasa.gov](mailto:jonathan.s.whealton@nasa.gov) or 757.824.1090

It is illegal to harm or harass threatened and endangered species and marine mammals. DO NOT approach the animal. Stay at least 150 feet away.

If no response, Recreational Beach users are encouraged to call Security at the Wallops Island Gate (757) 824-2780, if they spot any protected species.



### Loggerhead Sea Turtle Fun Facts

- ◆ Loggerheads are named for their overly proportioned head.
- ◆ Post hatchlings feed on jelly animals and sea slugs.
- ◆ An adult's strong jaws allow it to crush crab and snail shells.
- ◆ Adults can weigh from 155 to 375 pounds.
- ◆ Females take about an hour to dig a body pit and egg chamber, lay eggs, and scatter sand to hide their nest.
- ◆ Adults can live over 60 years.
- ◆ Florida's beaches provide the largest nesting area in the Western hemisphere. <https://conserveturtles.org>



### Annual Beach Cleanup

When: Saturday, September 16, 2023

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Where: Meet inside the WFF Island gate

Bring: WFF badge, inspect repellent, water

Annually Wallops supports the International Coastal Cleanup and Clean Virginia Waterways by collecting and removing trash from the WFF Recreational Beach. We need volunteers to make the cleanup a success.

Fact: From 2015 to 2020, plastic bags were, on average, the 4th most common type of litter found during the statewide International Coastal Cleanup in Virginia. <http://www.longwood.edu/cleanva/bags.html>



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## NASAHFACS Training and Certification



### Armstrong Flight Research Center

January 9-11, 2024

Learn how to code Human Factors during mishap investigations, contribute to the agency database, and use the NASA Human Factors Analysis and Classification System (NASAHFACS) proactively in programs.

Prior to registering, participants must complete the mandatory prerequisite SATERN course, "NASAHFACS Overview" (SMA-HQ-WBT-227).

Register for the course by Dec. 8 in SATERN under "NASAHFACS Training and Certification" (SMA-SAFE-OSMA-4009).

For more information, contact one of the following Points of Contact:

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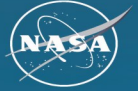




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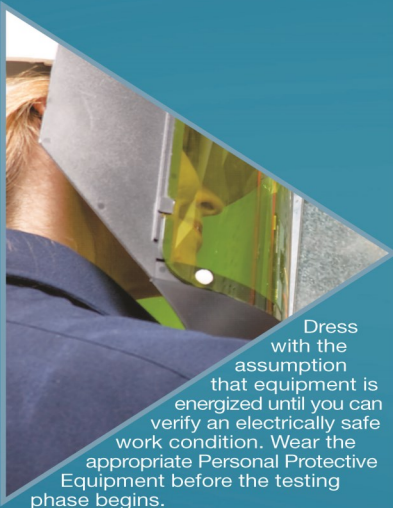


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A qualified person should complete and document preplanning and perform a job briefing before any electrical work begins to identify all energy sources and verify energy source controls are in place.

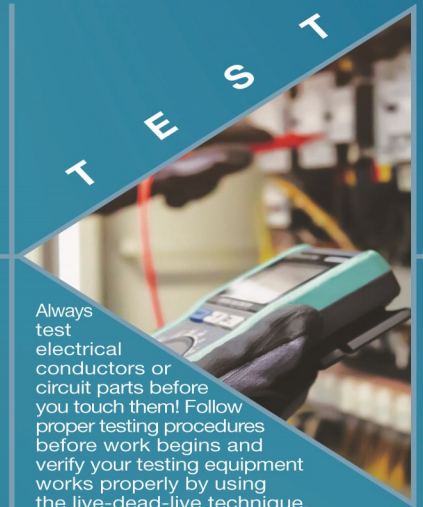
P R O T E C T



Dress with the assumption that equipment is energized until you can verify an electrically safe work condition. Wear the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment before the testing phase begins.

## Electrical Safety: Plan, Protect and Test Before You Touch!

T E S T



Always test electrical conductors or circuit parts before you touch them! Follow proper testing procedures before work begins and verify your testing equipment works properly by using the live-dead-live technique.

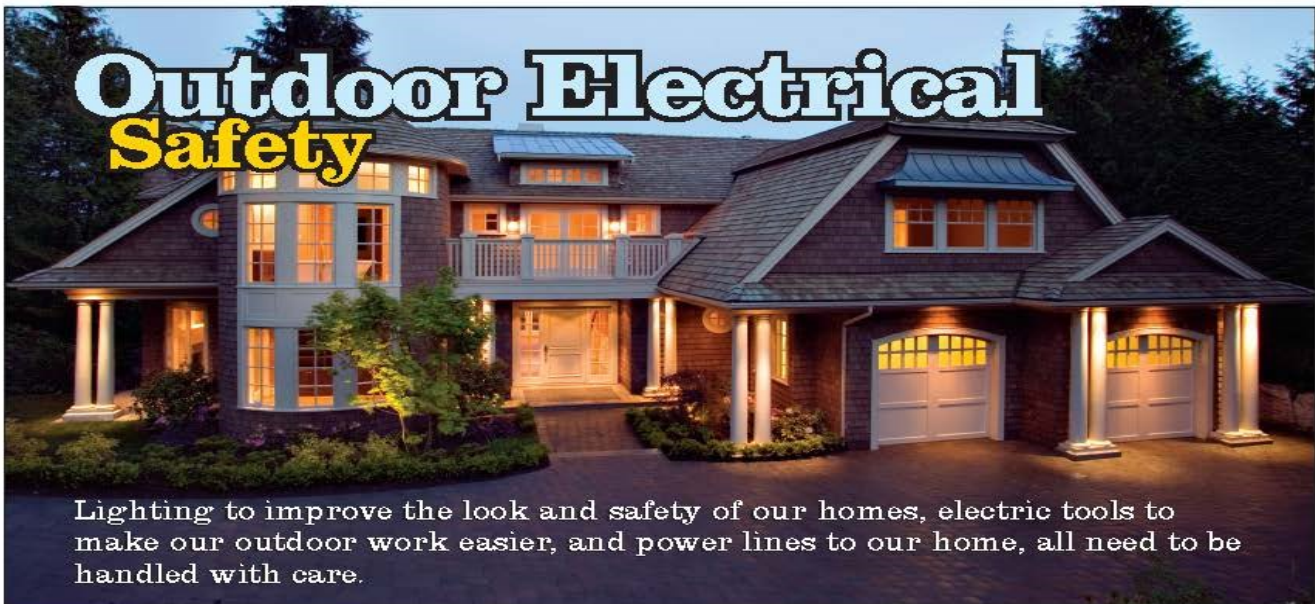
Do your part to keep yourself and your co-workers safe from electrical hazards associated with energized equipment. Visit [nsc.nasa.gov/topics/electrical-safety](https://nsc.nasa.gov/topics/electrical-safety) for additional resources.

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## Outdoor Electrical Safety

Lighting to improve the look and safety of our homes, electric tools to make our outdoor work easier, and power lines to our home, all need to be handled with care.

### Outside Electrical Work

- Have a qualified electrician do all electrical work.
- To prevent an electrical shock, make sure all your outside electrical receptacles are GFCI (ground-fault circuit interrupter) protected.

### Equipment Safety

- Use lighting and power tools that are listed by a qualified test laboratory and make sure they are made for outdoor use.
- Store your electrical tools indoors.
- Keep electric tools away from children.
- Keep the area around your electric meter and other electrical equipment clear.
- Check lighting and extension cords for damage before using. Replace any damaged cords right away.
- Use extension cords that are listed by a qualified test laboratory and are marked for outdoor use.
- Extension cords are not meant for long-term use.

### POWER LINES

Have a professional tree cutting service trim branches that might fall on electric wiring. Use a wooden or fiberglass ladder outside. Keep the ladder at least 10 feet away from power lines. Never touch anyone or anything in contact with a downed wire. Power lines may be live, stay a safe distance away. Report downed wires to authorities right away.

### IMPORTANT REMINDER

Call "Before You Dig" (8-1-1) before any digging on your property. They will mark where your underground utilities are located. *It's a free service!*



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**Have ground fault circuit interrupter outlets installed outside the home by a qualified electrician.**

