SAFESTEPTM EPZ GROUNDING GRATES 101

WHAT IS A SAFESTEP EPZ GROUNDING GRATE?

A SAFESTEP EPZ Grounding Grate is a galvanized steel grate that is placed in work zones where powerlines are present. They create an equipotential bonded and grounded work zone to protect personnel from fault currents. Additional grates can be connected to create a larger protective area.



EPZ SAFETY ZONE: EXAMPLES

- **1.** Warning signage for the public
- 2. Individual mats connected to create an EPZ area
- workers from stepping out of the zone

3. Inner boundaries prevent

- Non-conductive step-off area with minimum approach distance based on voltage

5. Additional warning signage

public from stepping into the area

6. Outer safety fencing prevents the

WHY USE SAFESTEP EPZ GROUNDING GRATES? ——

SAFESTEP EPZ grounding grates make it safer for workers to walk in places where extremely dangerous levels of electricity are present.

By creating a protected area where current can flow into the ground,



BENEFITS OF GROUNDING GRATES

Quick assembly and removal mean lower labor costs

Steel grates and connecting cables are reusable

- One-piece grates offer long life spans



POTENTIAL DANGERS

OF NOT USING SAFESTEP EPZ GROUNDING GRATES

- Exposure to lethal levels of electricityTripping hazards caused by makeshift solutions
- such as chain link fencing





Other solutions break down under constant wear