



CAL/OSHA Petition 580

A practical look at how this petition seeks to protect
California workers

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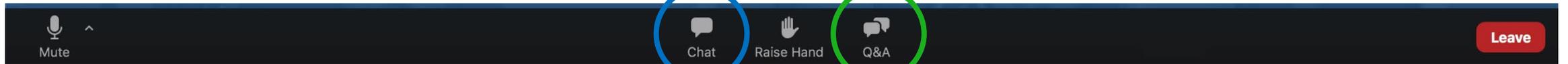
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Our Speaker

- Active participant in regulatory process with the NFPA, OSHPD, NRTLs, and CAL/OSHA.
- Over a decade of experience with electrical design for hospitals, data centers, and renewable energy systems.
- Managed production and training shops across three industries.
- Carpenter, machinist, programmer, engineer.
- Has been featured in four documentary films, holds a US patent, and loves his greyhounds.



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Why this Topic?

- Because 40,000 people each year suffer from traumatic machinery-related injuries, and it's been the same for over a decade.
- Because machine guarding has been on the top ten list of most commonly citations every year for a decade.
- And because many of these injuries and citations are easily avoidable by implementing some simple safeguards.
- Because it sometimes feels like details don't matter ... until they do.



THE
TRUE
COSTS
OF

MACHINE GUARDING

FOUR REASONS WHY **DOING NOTHING IS THE MOST EXPENSIVE OPTION.**

Machine Guarding (29 CFR 1910.212)
One of the 10 most common OSHA citations
EVERY YEAR since the list started in 2002.



2019 at a glance...

1,987 machine guarding citations,
resulting in **\$13,401,951** in penalties



OSHA Penalty
(for each other-than-serious violation)

\$13,494

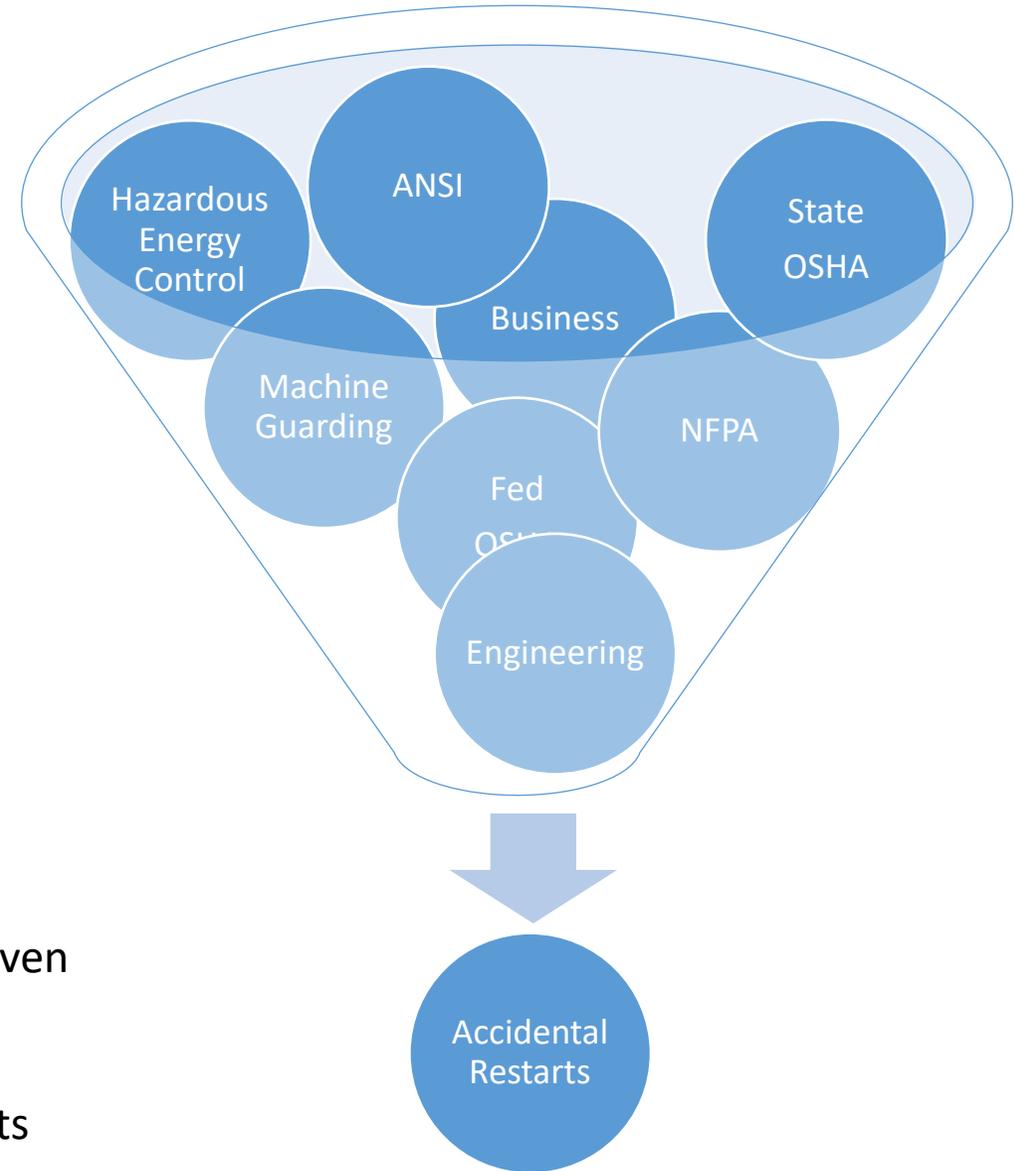


**Average
employer cost
for each injury**

**Laceration:
\$53,575
Amputation
\$186,881**

Webinar Scope

- Audience:
 - Safety Professionals
 - Facility Managers
 - Inspectors & Risk Managers
 - Machine Operators
- Geographical:
 - California – Petition 580
 - USA – All concepts and related regulations
- Topics:
 - Primary Topics: Unintentional restarts for electric-motor driven machinery
 - Related Topics & Discussions: Navigating NRTL approvals, Hazardous energy control, other types of energy and restarts (mechanical, gravitational, hydraulic, pneumatic, chemical, thermal, etc.)



What is Petition 580?

- A clarification of existing state and federal regulation that requires a means to prevent the unintentional restart of machinery.
- A request that Nationally Recognized Test Labs (NRTLs) withdrawal their approval of hazardous safety devices currently on the market.

- [Full Petition Text \(Cal/OSHA Website\)](#)
- [More Information on NRTLs \(Fed/OSHA Website\)](#)

NRTLs

All equipment in a workplace is required to be approved for it's specific use by a Nationally Recognized Test Lab (like UL).

OSHA

Fed/OSHA is the regulating body that oversees and regulates NRTLs.

Unexpected Startup (big picture)

Causes

- Accidental activation or reset (by operator)
- Intentional turn-on or reset (by someone else)
- Restoration of power, caused by:
 - Circuit breaker reset (after local or branch overcurrent event)
 - Automatic reset of thermal protection after overload event (i.e. integral motor protection)
 - Manual reset of emergency stop
 - Utility brown-out or black-out
 - Group control (shared power with other machine or process)
 - Plugging-in

Hazardous Conditions for Restart

- Machine operator in contact with a hazardous part of the machine.
- Technician has bypassed guards or machine is partially disassembled.
- Work-piece in contact with moving part of machine.

Kinds of Machinery

Everything with a Motor



Process & General Machinery



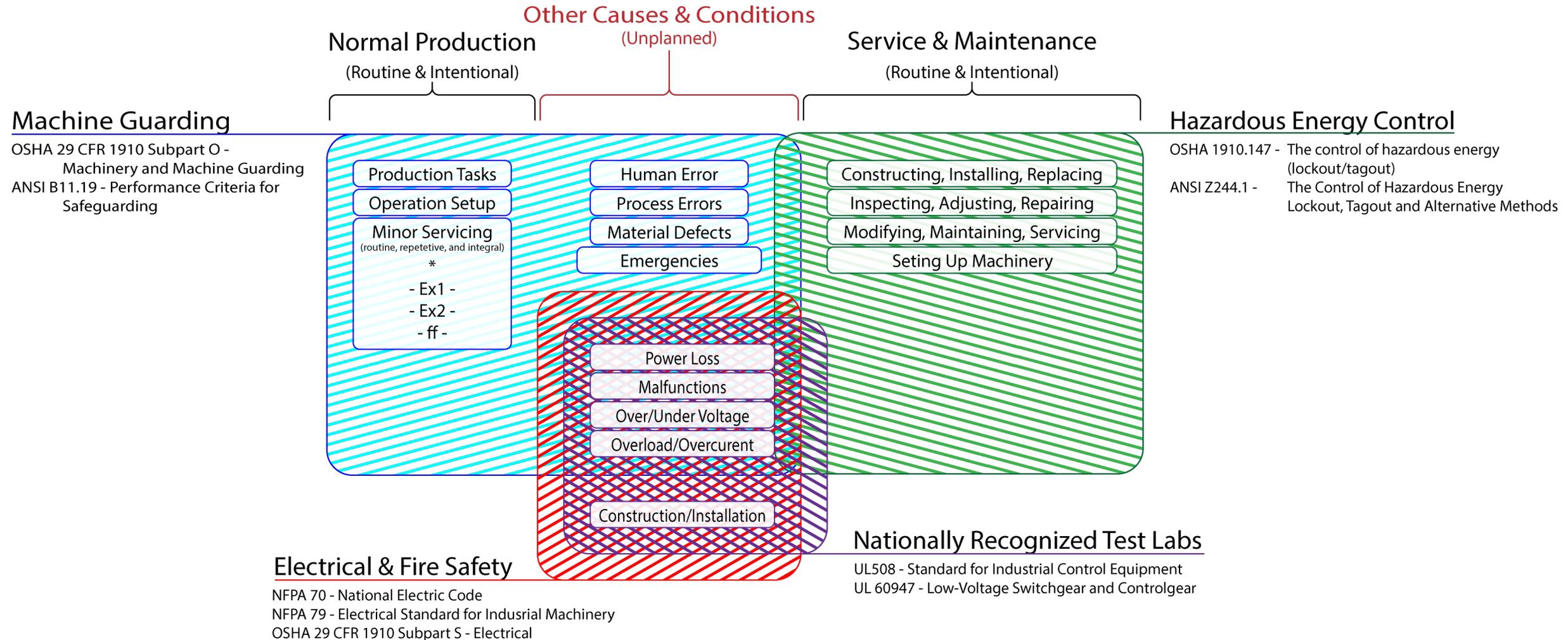
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Power Tools & Machine Tools



Regulation



Unexpected Restarts (our focus)

After the loss and restoration of power.

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... by any other name ...

The tendency of a machine to restart after loss of power is referred to by many terms, including:

“Safe Start”

“Accidental Restart Protection”

“Anti-Automatic Restart Protection”

“Low Voltage Dropout”

“Magnetic Switches”



Evaluating Existing Machinery

This evaluation is for machinery with relatively simple on/off controls and not for evaluating control systems.

1. Turn the machine **ON**.
2. While the machine is **ON** and running, remove power (unplug it or turn-off at local disconnect).
3. Count to 2 and restore power (plug it in or turn-on at local disconnect).

Evaluate:

*If the machine turns back **ON** when power is restored, then you do not have accidental restart prevention!*

Limitations

The test described above is meant for machinery with simple on/off controls. Control systems should be evaluated more thoroughly using the relevant standards for the machine.

Other Startups

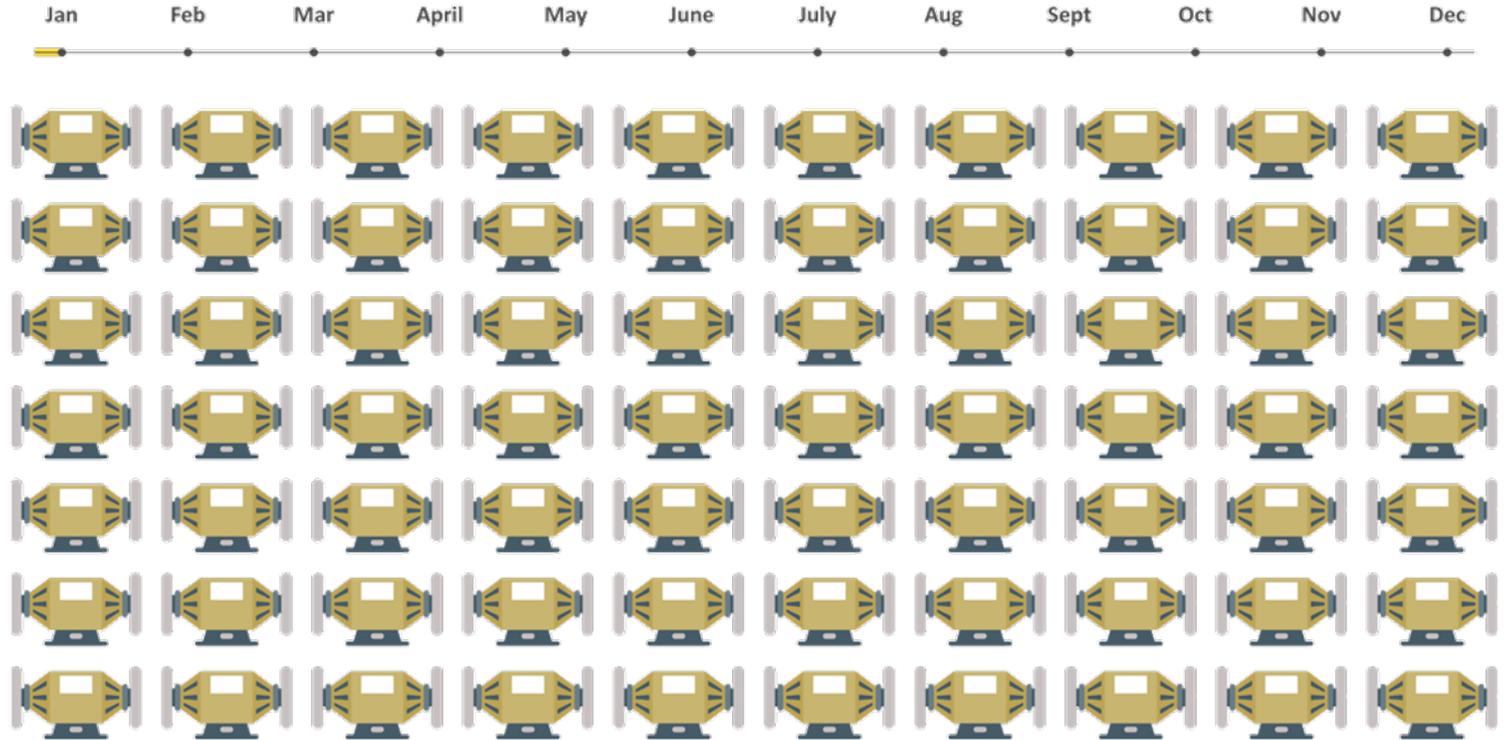
Restart upon restoration of power is just one of many ways a machine can restart unexpectedly. A risk assessment should also include all other applicable startup conditions.

Other Energies

While motor-driven parts of a machine are an obvious hazard, keep an eye out for other energies that may be released (even if the motor doesn't start back up)

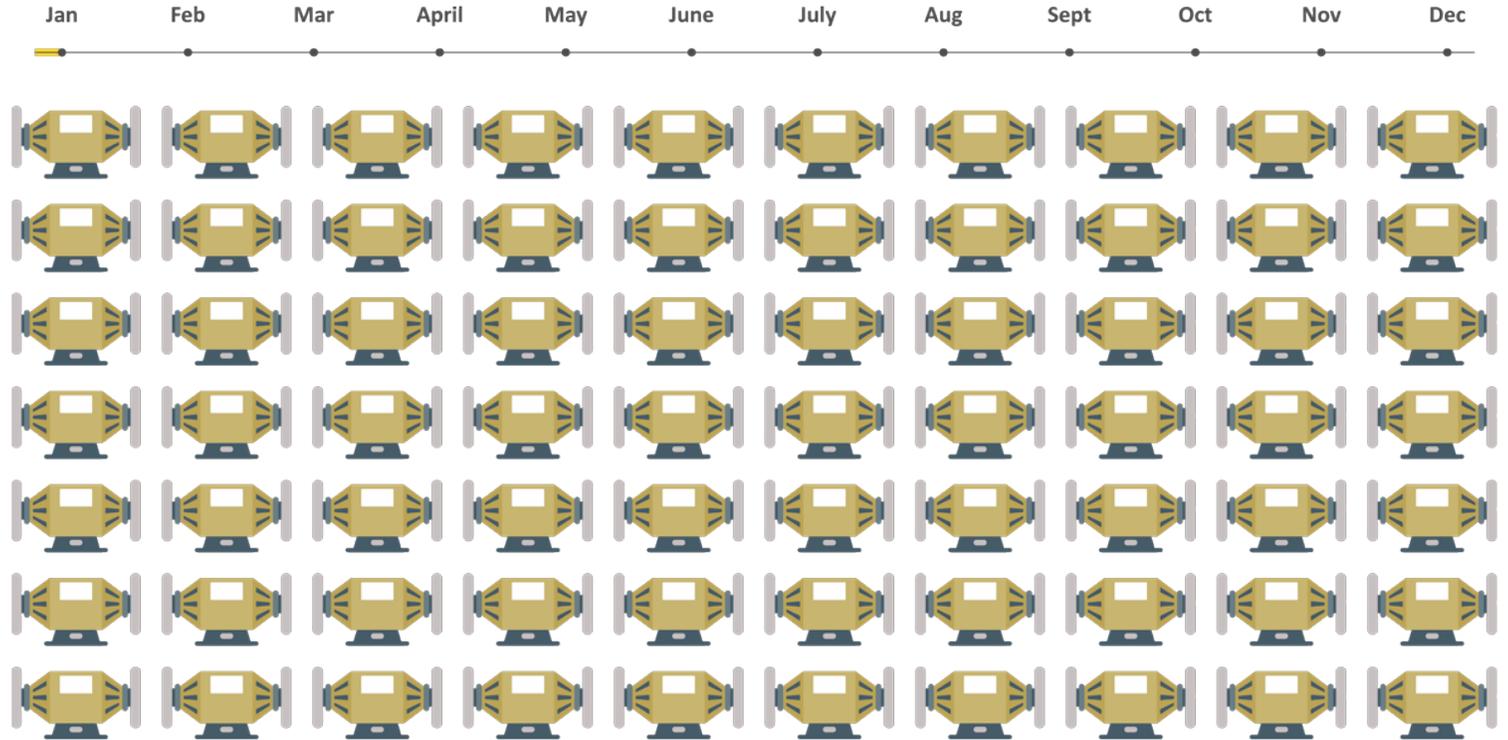
Misleading Products

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- Intent: Protect operators and comply w/ anti-restart regulation.
- Context: Customer has a pedestal bench grinder at each CNC operator station, used for tool sharpening.
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The Machine



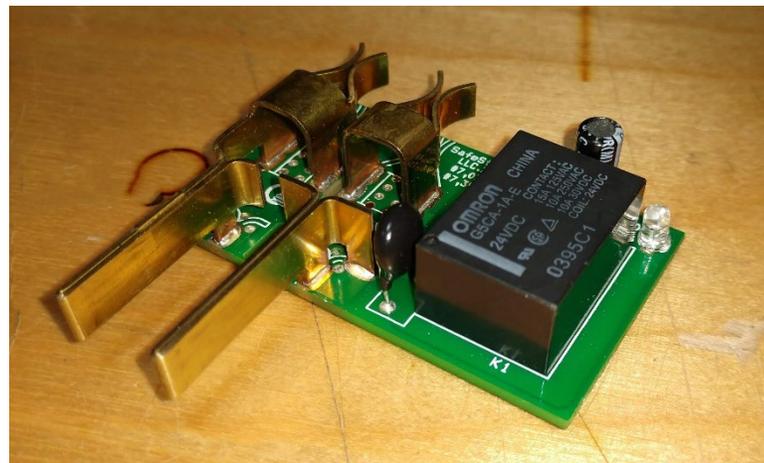
8" Bench Grinder

1HP

120V, 60Hz

8A

The Failed Device

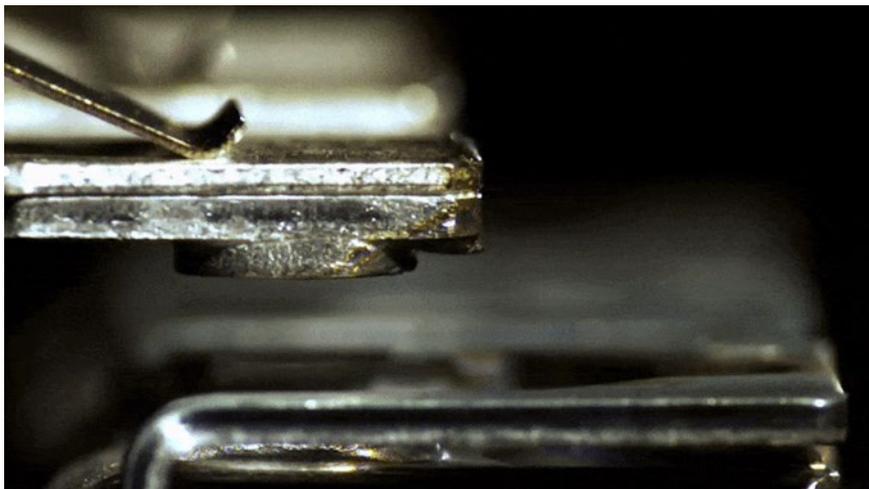


The Relay Inside

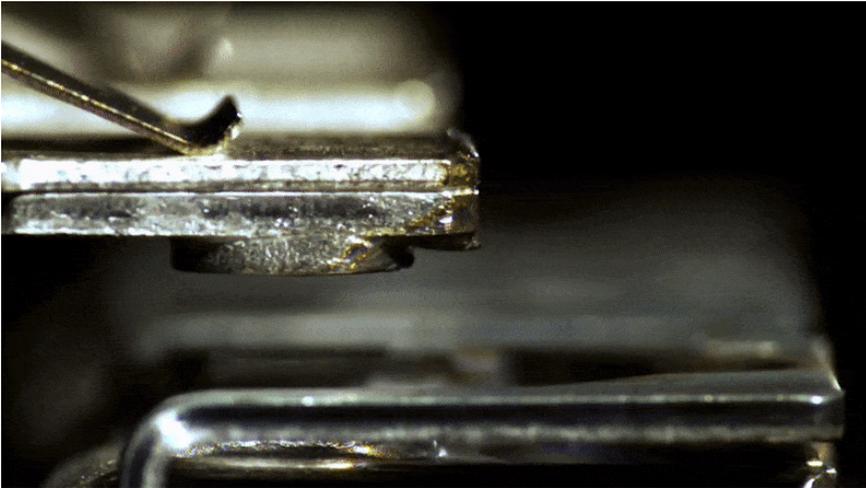


Just One of Many
The product shown here is just one of many anti-restart devices that suffer from the same shortcomings.

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Why they fail (NRTLs)

UL 246A - Appliance Controls

“This category covers controllers ... [with] one or more output switching components to directly control ... household-type appliances, such as portable luminaires, audio/video equipment, etc.”

“They are not intended for controlling motor-operated appliances”



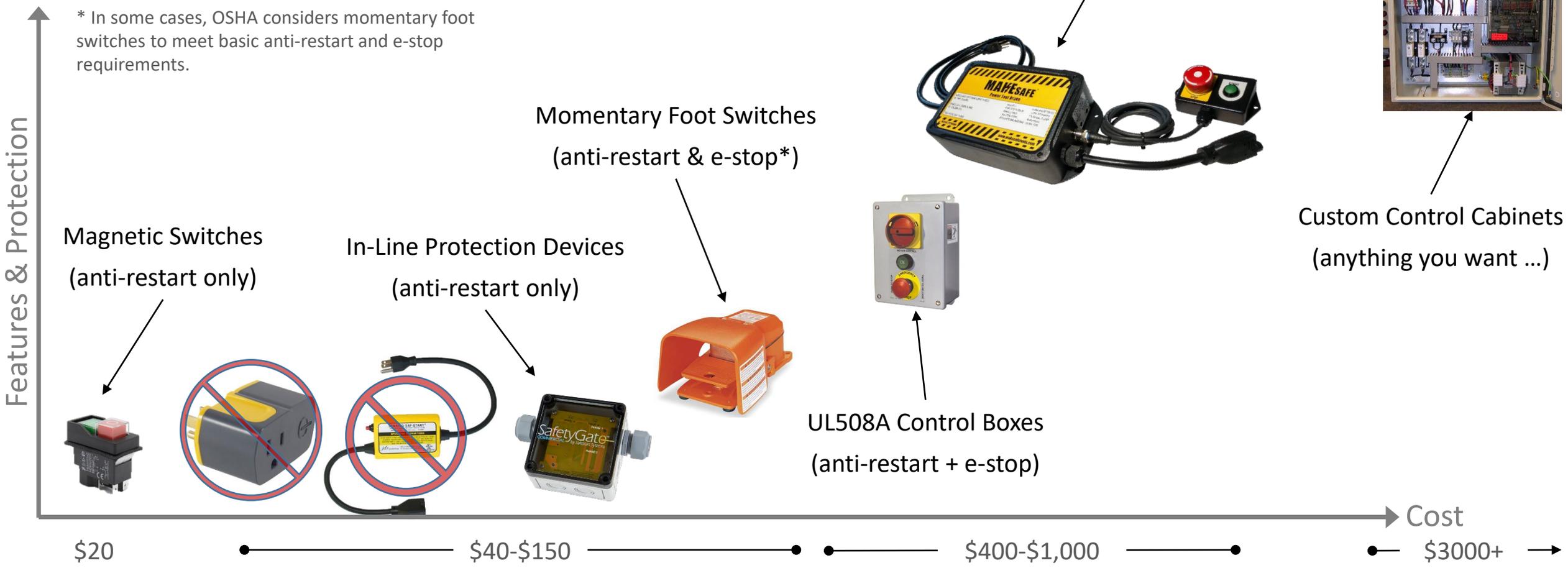
Two relays with similar current ratings under each standard
(to scale)

UL 508 - Industrial Control Equipment

“These requirements cover industrial control devices, and devices accessory thereto, for starting, stopping, regulating, controlling, or protecting electric motors.”



Alternatives



In summary

- Whether or not the petition is approved, you're still responsible for the regulations discussed today.
- Go evaluate your machinery!
- If needed, purchase and install compliant anti-restart devices!

MAKESafe Demo



We're here to help!

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