

POWER TOOLS

- Only personnel trained in the safe operation of power tools shall be allowed to operate them.
- Wear safety glasses whenever you are performing work that may generate dust, chips, splinters, shards, dust, or flakes. Sources of debris such as drills, grinding equipment, table saws, wire brushes or similar equipment are obvious; however less obvious causes of eye loss include cutting wire, working with chemicals, and misusing air hoses.
- Check your working materials carefully before proceeding. Make sure there are no nails, bolts, or flaws before you run the materials through table saws, jointers, sanders, routers or other power tools.
- Make sure all guards are in place prior to using power tools. Do not wear clothes, gloves or items that may become entangled in the machine.
- Use a push stick when ripping material on a table saw or when using a jointer. Whenever possible, avoid standing directly behind the blade to avoid kickback.
- Do not force wood, Plexiglas, or any other material through any saw, jointer, planer, etc. Allow the blades to do the cutting.
- When walking by operating power equipment, wear safety glasses to safeguard against flying particles. Be aware and avoid accidental contact with the equipment.
- Disconnect power before changing blades, belts, or bits. (See Code of Safe Practice for Lock Out/Tag Out).