Panel Saw Safety and Operation

NOTICE Rules and guidelines listed on this page are only reminders. Persons must read lab safety manual, machine manual, and be trained by WRL Manager.



Safety Rules

- Safety glasses are required.
- Never saw without piece against supports.
- Never adjust saw or setup while saw is running.
- Always follow 4 inch rule.
- Don't reach across the blade.
- Never remove guard unless authorized by Technician or WRL Manager.
- Any operation other than a standard crosscut or rip cut must be approved by supervisor. This includes any blade changes.
- Never run materials containing nails, screws or other metallic objects.
- Never cut small pieces in panel saw (less than 29"x29").
- Never cut more than one piece at a time.
- If machine is malfunctioning stop immediately and report to supervisor.

Operation

- Put on your safety glasses and hearing protection.
- If using a stop, set it at this time. Bring saw to a complete stop every time you adjust stop.
- Check direction of feed when ripping material.
- Never rip with larger material at top side of blade.
- Open blast gate and turn dust collection on, hook up hose.
- Turn saw on.
- Do not force saw when cutting.
- Return saw to top position after each cut and before removing any pieces.
- Shut blast gate and turn off dust collection unless you are proceeding to another machine or someone else is using it.
- Clean up around saw.
- Tear down all setups made. Setups may be left with approval of supervisor.