Portable Tool 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. Other protection may be required.
- Use tool with proper material and for a job which it was designed.
- Check cord for cuts, wear, or bare wire.
- Never adjust tools or setup while tools are running.
- Make sure bit, blade or wheel is secured in tool.
- Keep bystanders away when using a power tool.
- Check that switch is off before starting.
- Always have a firm footing when using power tools.
- Secure work piece properly.
- Do not force tool.
- Many portable tools cut through the bottom of the piece. Make sure that unwanted contact will not occur between work surface and cutter.
- On the jig saw make sure blade will extend through the bottom side of the work at all times.
- The belt sander has sufficient weight. Do not force down when sanding.
- Keep fingers 2-3" away from working point.
- Never remove guard.
- Always feed in proper direction. Ex.) feed router against the rotation of the bit.
- Setups requiring anything other than the standard equipment must be approved by supervisor.
- Tooling changes must be approved by Technician or Manager.
- Don't work material that is too small to be held or supported properly.
- Never set tool on bit, blade or wheel.
- If machine is malfunctioning stop immediately and report to supervisor.