

SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURE

Do not use this equipment unless you have been properly trained and instructed in its safe use and have been given prior permission.



A P2 PARTICULATE DUST MASK MUST BE WORN



LOOSE OR LONG HAIR MUST BE CONTAINED. REMOVE EXPOSED RINGS OR JEWELLERY



APPROVED EYE PROTECTION MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES



PROTECTIVE CLOTHING MUST BE WORN



CLOSED IN PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR MUST BE WORN

PRE-OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS:

1. The task (e.g. Drawings, Instructions, Specifications etc.) is clearly understood.
2. Ensure the workspace and walkways are clear of slip/ trip hazards.
3. Locate and ensure you are familiar with all machine operations and controls.
4. Ensure guarding is in place and has been securely fitted. Do not use the saw if guards are missing or faulty.
5. Ensure the appropriate blade is being used for the task.
6. If there is a dust extraction unit: start it before using the machine.
7. Ensure the workbench is clear of tools, sawdust and cut-offs.

OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS:

1. Ensure that the saw runs 'true' and does not wobble.
2. Allow the saw to reach maximum speed before making a cut.
3. Keep hands clear from rotating blade and workpiece at all times.
4. Stand to one side of the line cut.
5. Ensure guarding is in place before re-starting the saw.
6. Ensure someone holds the tail end when cutting long material to keep the workpiece at an even level.
7. Never remove cut offs while the saw is running.
8. Switch off machine and bring to a complete stop before making any adjustments.

SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURE**HOUSE KEEPING:**

1. Switch off the machine when work is completed.
2. Store equipment in the appropriate storage area.
3. Leave the workspace in a safe, clean and tidy state.

POTENTIAL HAZARDS:

1. Eye injuries.
2. Airborne dust.
3. Kickback: material may catch or jam and be flung back violently.
4. Contact with blade at point of operation.