

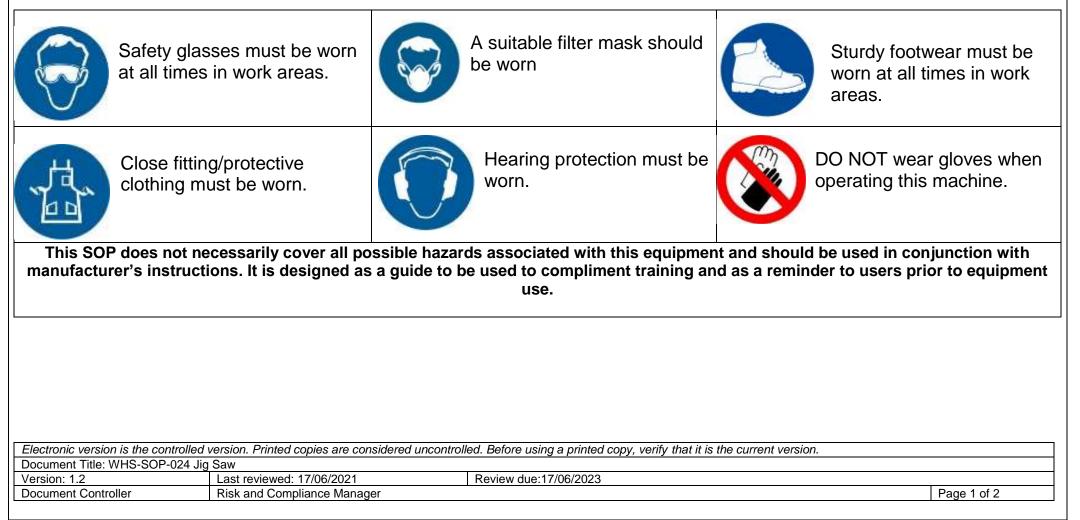
Scouts SA – Safe Operating Procedure

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JIG SAW

DO NOT use this equipment unless you have been instructed in its safe use and operation, and have been given permission

PRECAUTIONS



PRE-OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS

- Check that the work area and walkway are free of obstacles and trip hazards
- Ensure you are familiar with all machine operations and controls.
- ✓ Check the jigsaw, the blade, and power cord for signs of damage
- Ensure the equipment has a current electrical test tag
- Locate and ensure you are familiar with the operation of the ON/OFF starter.
- Ensure table and work area is clear of all tools, off-cut timber and sawdust.
- Faulty equipment must not be used. Immediately report suspect equipment.

OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS

- Examine the material to be cut for splits, loose knots & nails, etc.
- Ensure the material is secure & well supported.
- Check the underside of the cut to ensure that the blade will not cause any damage or be obstructed.
- Allow the machine to reach full speed before starting a cut always saw at a moderate rate.
- ✓ Keep hands away from in front of the cutting operation.
- \checkmark Do not apply excessive force to the material being cut.
- Take care when cutting curves to ensure that the blade does not twist or bind. - if necessary drill small holes.
- If the blade binds, release the switch immediately free the blade & inspect for damage.
- ✓ Do not allow waste to accumulate on or around the saw blade or the work piece. Ensure that off-cuts will not cause binding, or fall on your feet.

- On completion, wait for the blade to stop moving before lifting the jig saw from the work piece, and then rest the saw on its side, protecting the blade.
- Before making any adjustments, or replacing the blade, disconnect the plug from the power source and bring the machine to a complete standstill.

CLEANING UP

- ✓ Turn off power
- ✓ Use brush or tool to clean up sanding residue.
- \checkmark Leave the machine and the workspace in a safe, clean and tidy state

POTENTIAL HAZARDS AND INJURIES

- (i) Airborne dust.
- (i) Contact with blade.
- () Eye injuries.
- 🛈 Noise.

DON'T

- > Do not use faulty equipment. Immediately report suspect equipment.
- > Do not exceed the maximum cut for the machine.
- Do not cut more than one workpiece at a time.
- > Do not start the saw with the blade touching the workpiece. Allow the blade to reach full speed first.
- > Do not cut branches, dowel, or wood with embedded nails or screws

This SOP does not necessarily cover all possible hazards associated with this equipment and should be used in conjunction with manufacturer's instructions. It is designed as a guide to be used to compliment training and as a reminder to users prior to equipment use.

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