Shop Safety Topic



Overview of guidelines and requirements for an automotive shop.

General Shop Safety

Shop work hazards require special consideration; the potential for personal injury is vast. Although it may not possible to list all risks involved in-shop work, many hazards can be prevented by careful planning, using common sense, knowledge, proper training, and evaluation of potential hazards.

Tools

Tools are an important investment and should be kept clean and organized for quick inspection and location with each use. This includes your wrenches, an open-ended wrench that is loose, or a twelve-point box wrench with worn teeth that could slip and cause damage to one’s hands/arms, so care should be made to make sure they are properly discarded. It is easier to avoid hand injury from scraping a sharp object if one pulls toward yourself rather than pushing away.

Compressed Air

When using compressed air do not point or aim air nozzle towards individuals. Unfortunately, compressed air is often used as a toy and…