Table Saw Safety Instructions Bulletin



Handout on circular saw table safety instructions.

For A Circular Saw

1. The saw blade should be raised no more than 1/8 inch above the stock.
2. The material edge that is held against the rip fence or miter gauge should be straight.
3. Be sure the blade doesn’t contact the throat plate, the fence, or the guard before the power is turned on.
4. Clamp stop blocks to the table to prevent kickbacks before lowering material.
5. Do not use a dull blade.
6. Resawing is not permitted on the table saw.
7. It is unsafe to cut round stock on the table (circular) saw.
8. Don’t use the rip fence & the miter gauge at the same time while cutting stock.
9. Use a clearance block clamped to the fence for a stop block when using the miter gauge to make multiple cuts of the same length.
10. Use a push stick when ripping material less than 4 inches wide.
11. Ripping of any material less than 2 inches wide must be done by the instructor.
12. Do not stand in line with the blade while starting and operating the table (circular) saw.
13. Do not crowd or bind the saw blade.
14. A helper, tailing off, should not pull stock that is passing through the saw.
15. Do not place hands in front of or over the blade.
16. Never clean scraps off of the table saw with your hands while the saw is running.
17. You must always use the rip fence when ripping stock and the miter gauge when cross-cutting stock.
18. It is recommended that you use the radial arm saw to perform cross-cutting procedures. The radial arm saw is safer and faster for cross-cutting.
19. Any operation which requires a special set-up must be approved by the instructor prior to the start of the operation.