



## Circular Saw

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Possible Hazards Present	Personal Protection Required	Additional Training	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cuts</li> <li>- Ergonomics</li> <li>- Dust</li> <li>- Noise</li> <li>- Electric shock</li> </ul>	CSA approved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eye protection</li> <li>- Hearing protection</li> <li>- Footwear</li> <li>- Hardhat</li> <li>- Dust mask when needed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Power tool safety</li> </ul>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Read and understand the operator's manual.</li> <li>2. Inspect the saw for deficiencies before each use.</li> <li>3. Ensure you are using the proper blade for the job.</li> <li>4. Ensure the blade is sharp and free from flaws.</li> <li>5. Ensure the guards are working properly.</li> <li>6. Ensure the bottom guard is in place before setting the saw down.</li> <li>7. Disconnect the power source before adjusting or replacing the blade.</li> <li>8. Keep all cords clear of the cutting area.</li> <li>9. Ensure the saw is double guarded and a three-pronged cord is plugged into a grounded plug.</li> <li>10. Check the material for nails, screws, etc.</li> <li>11. Secure the material to prevent movement.</li> <li>12. Allow the saw to attain full power before starting the cut.</li> <li>13. Allow the blade to cut steadily, do not force the blade.</li> <li>14. Use two hands to operate the saw, one on the trigger and one on the front knob handle.</li> <li>15. Do not twist the saw to change the cut or alignment.</li> <li>16. Do not carry the saw with finger on the trigger.</li> <li>17. Do not overreach. Keep good footing and balance at all times.</li> <li>18. Do not rip stock without using a wedge or guide that is fastened to the stock.</li> <li>19. To help prevent kick back hold your forward arm straight and do not cut above chest height.</li> <li>20. <b>REPORT ANY DANGEROUS SITUATIONS TO THE SUPERVISOR.</b></li> </ol>			
<b>Documentation/Legislation</b> Workplace Safety and Health Regulation, M.R. 217/2006 16 - Machine and Tool Safety 6 - Personal Protective Equipment - Operators Manual		<b>This Safe Work Procedure will be reviewed anytime the task, equipment or materials change and at a minimum every three years.</b>	