



Reciprocating Saw

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Possible Hazards Present	Personal Protection Required	Additional Training	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cuts/lacerations - Flying debris - Sprains or strains - Electrical shock 	<p>Gloves CSA approved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - footwear - hard hat - eye protection - hearing protection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Power tool safety - LOTO 	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure the worker has been properly trained. 2. Workers must read and understand the operator’s manual before operating the reciprocating saw. 3. Check the saw before each use for defective or dull blade. Ensure the blade is locked into place. 4. Wear required PPE at all times. 5. Plug in saw to a grounded electrical circuit. 6. Secure piece to be cut to table, sawhorse or work bench. 7. Use both hands to control the saw, one hand on the forward area of the saw and one hand on the handle. 8. Place the saw blade on the cut line, press trigger to start saw. 9. Apply slight pressure as you cut. Never force the saw through a cut. A good blade will nearly cut through the piece by itself. 10. Always watch for blade pinching situations. Cut at the base of the blade; do not saw with the tip of the blade. 11. Always cut below shoulder height. 12. Keep the saw blade in good condition, dull teeth are more likely to cause a kick back. 13. Always stand on the side of the material you are cutting. 14. Unplug the saw before making adjustments or changing blades. 15. Keep the blade out of dirt. Debris will fly and the teeth will be dulled. 16. Wrap up cord and store in designated location. 			
<p>Documentation/Legislation Workplace Safety and Health Regulations, 2022 5 - First Aid 6 - Personal Protective Equipment 8 - Musculoskeletal Injuries 16.27 - Machines, Tools & Robots</p>		<p>This Safe Work Procedure will be reviewed anytime the task, equipment or materials change and at a minimum every three years.</p>	