



Safety Key Points for Trades



Safety Starts With Me

Carpenter

Use of circular saw

1. Do not remove or interfere with the guard and riving knife of the rotating parts on the circular saw (including hand-held or bench table type).
2. Do not wear cotton gloves when operating the circular saw.
3. Check all safety devices before use of the bench table circular saw (e.g. emergency stop devices, guards and riving knives, etc.). For any damage, immediately stop using the devices and report to concerned parties.
4. When operating the bench table circular saw, a push-stick shall be used appropriately.
5. Wear suitable eye protectors and ear protectors when operating woodworking machineries like circular saw.
6. When cutting materials with a hand-held circular saw, they must be properly supported and anchored. Do not support materials physically (e.g. with thighs) during operation.



Work at height

1. Use suitable working platforms, step platforms and hop-up platforms instead of ladders for work.
2. Under special circumstances such as positioning and installing joists as well as laying out bearers, if no proper working platform is available, ensure to use planks as foothold with fall arrest system and equipment (e.g. safety harness and double lanyards, independent lifelines and fall arrest devices) before work.
3. Using designated safe access to access or egress from the scaffold/temporary support.

Lifting works

1. The lifting zones shall be properly fenced off (e.g. with fences or roadblocks), and appropriate warning signage shall be displayed.
2. All timber boards and timber blocks should be rigged and secured by method of double wrap choker hitch then enhanced with tie down strap before lifting.
3. Do not use single sling for rigging and lifting timber boards and timber blocks, etc..
4. During lifting operation, use a guide rope (tagline) to stabilize materials being lifted.
5. Suitable material containers should be used to lift loose materials (e.g. "head jacks" and "base plates", etc.).

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