

A Safe Workplace

A Workplace Safety and Health Manual for Your Community

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Subject: TSE-4	Operating a Miter Saw	Approved By: Harvey Bostrom
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PPE Required: Safety glasses or face shield, hearing protection, steel-toe boots

Warning: Do not wear loose clothing or rolled up sleeves
Remove all jewelry
Disconnect the power before repairing or servicing
Ensure cord is not in water and that the tool is grounded or double-insulated.

Steps:

1. Read and understand equipment manual before operating miter saw.
2. Guards and guides must be in place and used at all times.
3. Ensure saw is unplugged.
4. Inspect saw. Ensure the blade is properly installed and sharp, check wiring for damage.
5. Ensure the work area is free of debris and obstructions.
6. Plug in saw and start motor - note blade for rotation and wobble.
7. Begin cutting material. **Keep Hands Away From Blade.** Use vise or clamps to secure work.
8. Unplug the saw from the power source. Clear the table and work area of debris before leaving the machine.