

# A Safe Workplace

## A Workplace Safety and Health Manual for Your Community

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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 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. Inspect saw. Ensure the blade is properly installed and sharp, check wiring for damage.
4. Ensure the work area is free of debris and obstructions.
5. Plug in and start the saw. Observe for rotation and wobble
6. Begin cutting material. Keep both hands firmly on the tool handles and use clamps to secure work.
8. Unplug the saw from the power source. Clear the work area of debris.