## Jigsaw Operation

Facility:	Written By:	Approved By:	Date Created:	Date of Last Revision

Hazards Present:	PPE or Devices Required:	Additional Training Required:
Exposed Blade-Cuts, Amputation	Eye Protection	
Electrical Shock	Hard Hat	
Noise	Hearing Protection	
Sawdust/Projectiles in Eyes	Safety Footwear	
Sawdust Inhaled (possible toxicity)		
Sharp Edges/Hot Surfaces		

Safe Work Procedure

- 1) Read and understand the manual that accompanies your jigsaw.
- 2) Don personal protective equipment before beginning the task. Ensure clothing fits appropriately (tight fitting).
- 3) Inspect work area. Remove tripping hazards, garbage, cutoffs, etc. Ensure footing is stable and adequate physical support is available for out-of-position cuts. Lighting must be adequate.
- 4) Ensure the saw is unplugged or battery removed. Inspect the following for defects: saw blade, cord, switch, shoe. If defects are identified, tool is to be red tagged and locked out. Notify supervisor for maintenance. Only qualified personnel may perform maintenance.
- 5) Ensure correct blade is installed for material being cut.
- 6) Inspect material to be sawn for foreign objects; remove before proceeding.
- 7) Plug in and start the saw. Check correct tool function.
- 8) Keep both hands firmly on the tool. Keep hands away from the blade.
- 9) Check for proper clearance behind the workpiece to ensure blade will not strike obstructions.
- 10) Make sure the blade is not contacting the workpiece as the tool is started.
- 11) Switch tool off and wait for the blade to come to a complete stop before removing the blade from the workpiece.
- 12) When finished, unplug the saw from the power source. Clear work area of debris.

## If an emergency situation occurs while conducting this task, or there is an equipment malfunction, engage the emergency stop and follow the lock out procedure

## **REPORT ANY HAZARDOUS SITUATIONS TO YOUR SUPERVISOR**

Guidance Documents/Standards:	This Safe Work Procedure will be reviewed any time the task, equipment or materials change and at a
MB Workplace Safety & Health Act & Regulations:	minimum of every three years
2.1 Safe work procedures	Reviewed By WSH Committee:
6.13(1) Eye and face protectors	
6.15(1) Respiratory Protective Equipment	
Part 8 Musculoskeletal Injuries	Date:
Part 9 Working Alone	
12.4 Hearing Protection	
16.4 Machine and Tool Safety	
16.14 Lockout	
16.25(1) Hand or Power Tools	