

CONSTRUCTION

EMPLOYER GUIDE

MACHINE SAFETY

Pay attention to the task

Have adequate lighting in the work area.

Inspect all machinery before use, do not operate machinery in disrepair, and report any defects to management.

Never remove machine guarding or reach into moving parts or points of contact.

Wear proper personal protective equipment for the machine you are operating.

- Hand protection while handling chemicals, sharp or abrasive materials or blood.
- Eye protection when cutting, grinding or welding, and when working with certain chemicals.
- Respiratory gear when there is a risk of breathing in hazardous dust, fumes, mists, and other hazardous chemicals.
- Hearing protection in areas where high noise levels are emitted.

Do not rush while operating machinery. Safety comes before speed.

Never let machinery run unattended.

Concentrate on the task at hand. Listening to music on headphones or talking on a cell phone is a distraction that could result in a serious injury.

Know the location of emergency cut-off switches.

Machine Maintenance

Only authorized and properly trained employees should perform machine maintenance.

If a machine is taken out of service, its power source should be locked out or tagged to prevent another employee from operating it.



DO NOT wear jewelry or loose fitting clothing around machinery.

These items could **get caught** in moving parts.