

# Machines Safety

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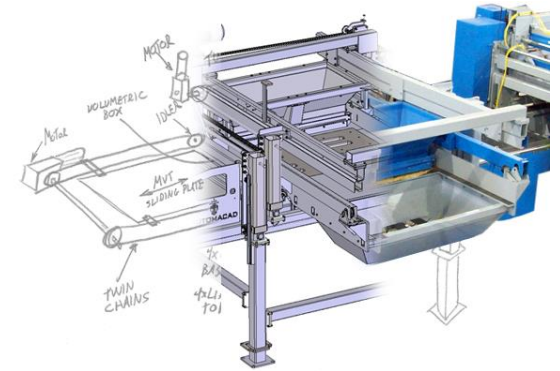
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***Syllabus:***

### **Method of Evaluation:**

# Objectives

- To **safeguard workers** from machinery-related hazards and prevent accidents, incidents, and health issues in the workplace.
- Providing **clear guidelines** to ensure machinery at work is safe.
- Ensure all machinery is designed and manufactured to **minimize** or **eliminate** associated **hazards**.
- Provide employers with a reliable **mechanism** to access essential **safety information** from **suppliers**.
- Enable employers to **implement protective measures** effectively for the safety of workers.





# 1. Introduction

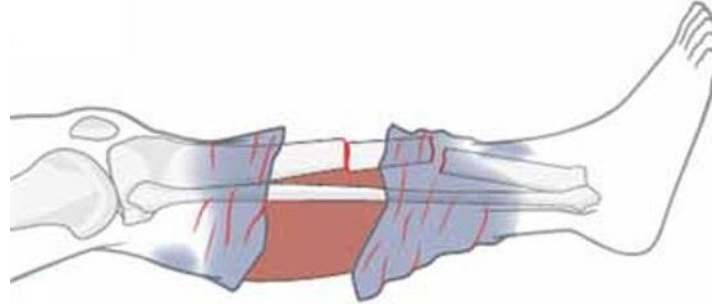
## SAFE MACHINE OPERATIONS:

- Identify **workplace machinery** and **equipment** hazards.
- **Eliminate** or reduce the **risk of harm** from these hazards.
- **Manage risks associated** with machinery and equipment in use.
- **Prevent** through **safe use** and **safe design**.



# Examples of Machinery Hazards

These incidents can cause

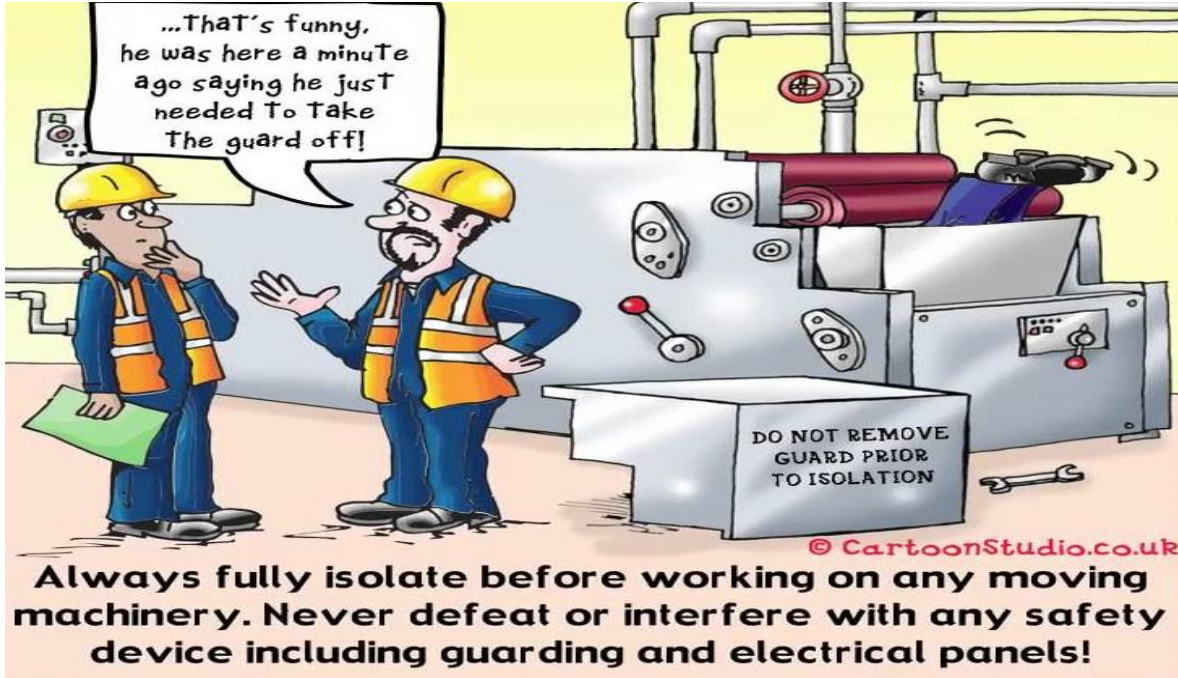


- ✓ *Damage to the body*, e.g., cuts, crushing of limb, etc.
- ✓ *Injuries by energies released from the machine*, e.g., electrical shock, burn, etc.
- ✓ *Fatalities*

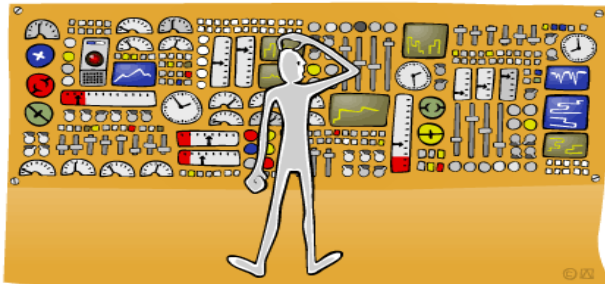
## 2. Incident History

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Incidents occurred due to



1- Lack of protection (e.g., equipment safeguards)



2. Lack of training



4. Lack of maintenance



3. Not following procedures



5. Horseplay



### 3. Machine Hazards

***When identifying the hazards related with machines, we shall consider:***

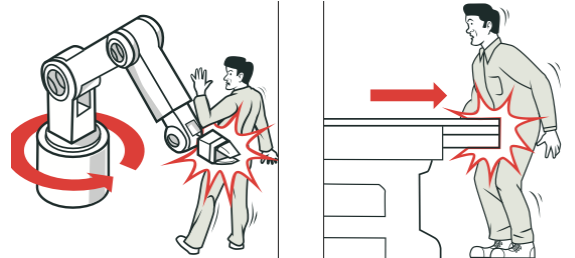
- ✓ Type of machines (lever, pulley, screw, axle)
- ✓ Layout of machines (static or moveable)
- ✓ Driven method (Electricity, air, etc.)
- ✓ Operating parameters (Speed, pressure, temperature, size of cut, mobility, etc.)
- ✓ Materials to be processed or handled and Feeding Method (hard or soft material)
- ✓ Operator position and controls
- ✓ Access for setting Adjustments and Maintenance.
- ✓ Environmental Factors (e.g., Dust, fumes, noise, temperature, humidity etc.)
- ✓ Operating requirements including what the operator needs to do.

# 3. Machine Hazards

*Typical hazards related with operation of machines include:*

## Mechanical

- Machines possess **moving parts**, and the motion of these parts can exert significant **force**, potentially resulting in injuries to individuals.
- For instance, this force can lead to **crushing, shearing, cutting, stabbing, or puncture injuries**.



## Non mechanical

e.g.,

- High pressure fluid ejection
- Electrical shock
- Noise and vibration
- Contact with extremes of temperature
- Ergonomics








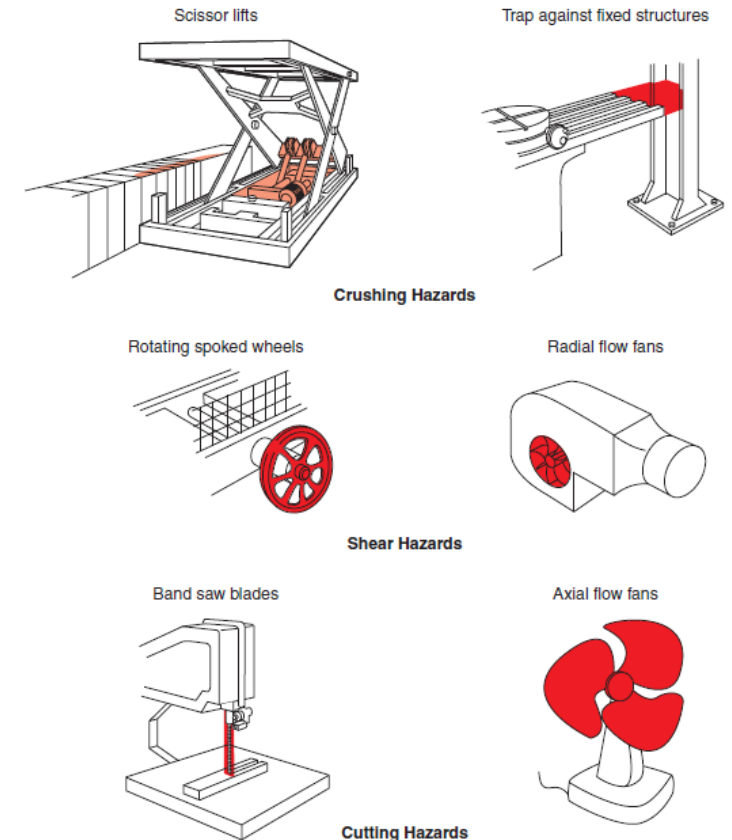


# 3. Machine Hazards

## MECHANICAL HAZARDS

Common mechanical hazards and associated risks for machinery and equipment are shown below.

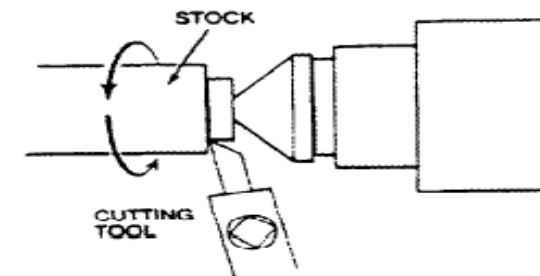
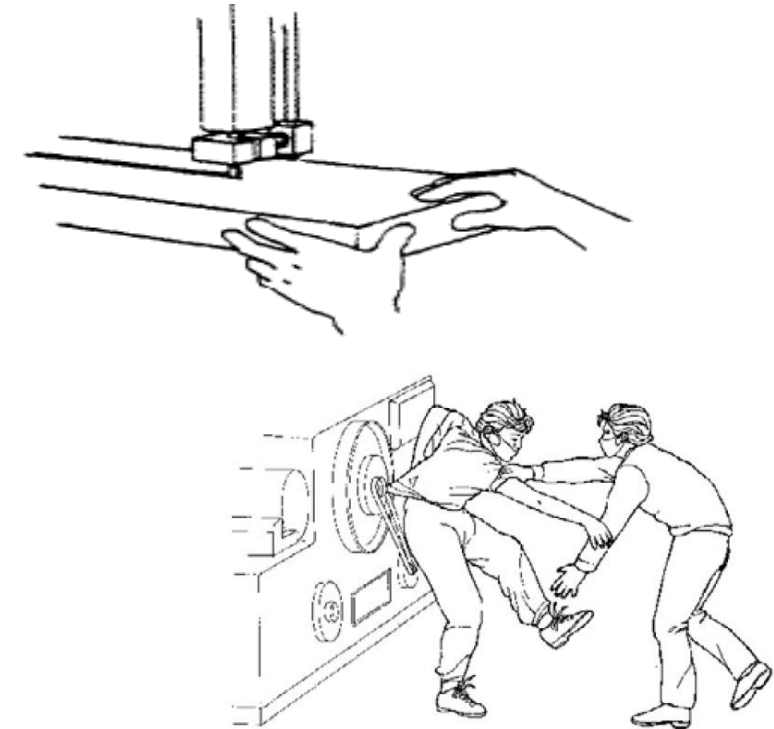
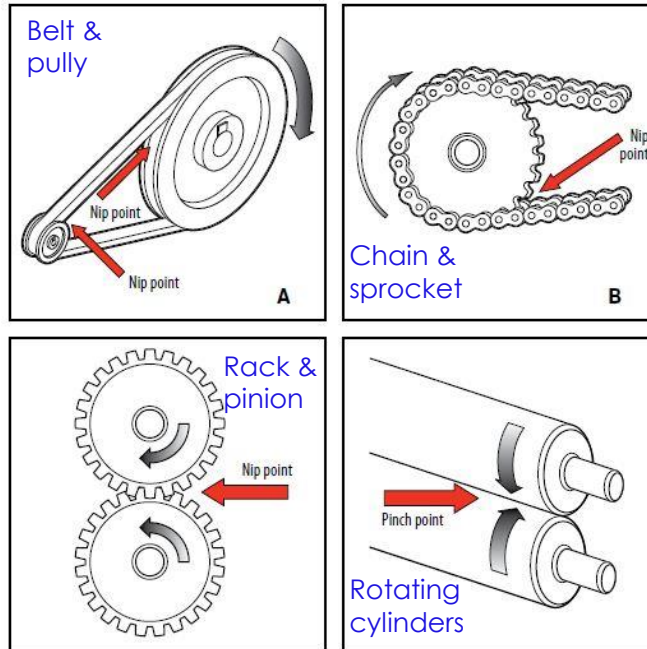
HAZARD	RISK
Rotating shafts, pulleys, sprockets and gear	<b>Entanglement</b> 
Hard surfaces moving together	<b>Crushing</b> 
Scissor or shear action	<b>Severing</b> 
Sharp Edge-moving or stationary	<b>Cutting or puncturing</b> 
Cable or hose connection	<b>Slips, trips and falls</b> <b>Oil leaks</b> 



# 3. Machine Hazards

## MECHANICAL HAZARDS

### Unguarded Rotating Parts of Machine



- Associated with machinery and equipment can include ***harmful emissions, chemicals and chemical by-products, electricity and noise.***
- ***Cause serious injury if not adequately controlled.***
- *In some cases, people exposed to these hazards may not show signs of injury or illness for years.*

***When reviewing machinery and equipment for possible non-mechanical hazards, consider how machines and equipment can affect the area (environment) around them.***

Non-Mechanical Hazard	
Dust	Mist (vapours/fumes)
Explosive or flammable atmosphere	Noise
Heat (radiated or conducted)	Ignition source
High intensity light	Chemicals
Heavy metals	Pressurized fluids/gases

## Identify the existing controls

- Any *safeguards* in place?
- Any *written procedures* to control or mitigate the risk?
- What are the *PPE* used?

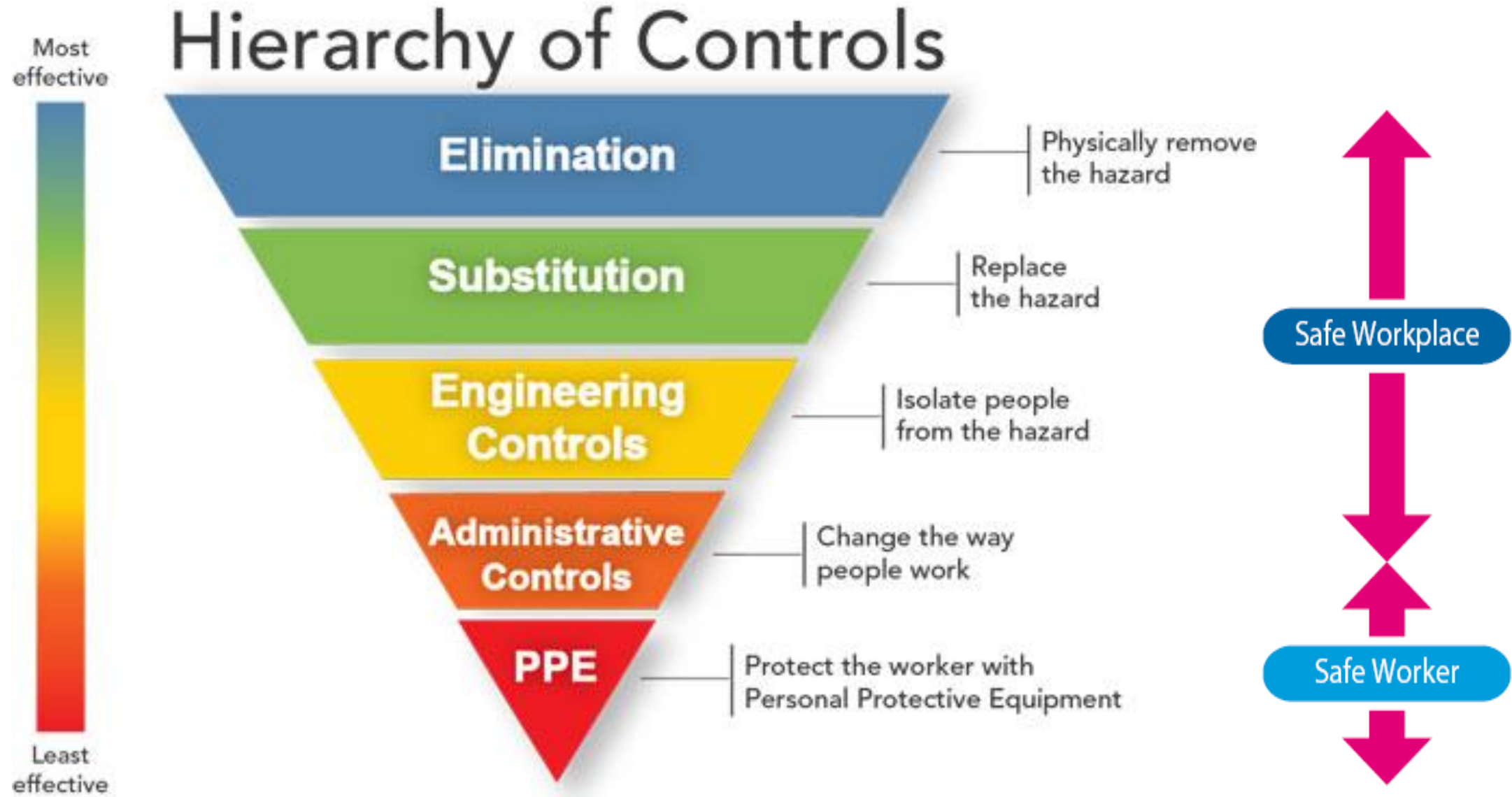
## Identify the need for additional control

- What is the **risk level** with the consideration of existing controls?
- **High risk** must be reduced to at least **medium risk** before startup of work
- Whether the risk level can be further *reduced* to As Low As Reasonably Practical?



## 4. Machine Safety

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## PUWER Key Requirements:

Be safe and  
suitable for its  
intended use

Be maintained in a  
safe condition

Be used only by  
those who have  
received adequate  
training

Have suitable  
health and safety  
measures

Be used in  
accordance with  
specific guidelines

## Machine Safety: Control Measures

- The **Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations**, (PUWER) 1998 is a set of regulations for safe use of work equipment in the United Kingdom.
- PUWER requires that access to dangerous parts of machinery should be prevented in a preferred order or **Hierarchy of Control Methods**.
- Control methods include:
  - ☐ **Physical Barrier**: Fixed enclosing guards.
  - ☐ **Interlocked Guard**: Allows access only when safe; stops machine if opened.
  - ☐ **Detection Device**: Stops machine when an individual enters a risk area (e.g., photoelectric guards, pressure-sensitive mats).

### Control Measures

#### Types of hazards control measures

- Machine guarding
- Using devices, e.g., sensor, gates, etc.
- Distance
- Use of automatic or semi-automatic fed and ejection/robots
- Use of feeding tools
- Training, Procedures, etc.
- PPE

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### Types of Machine Guarding

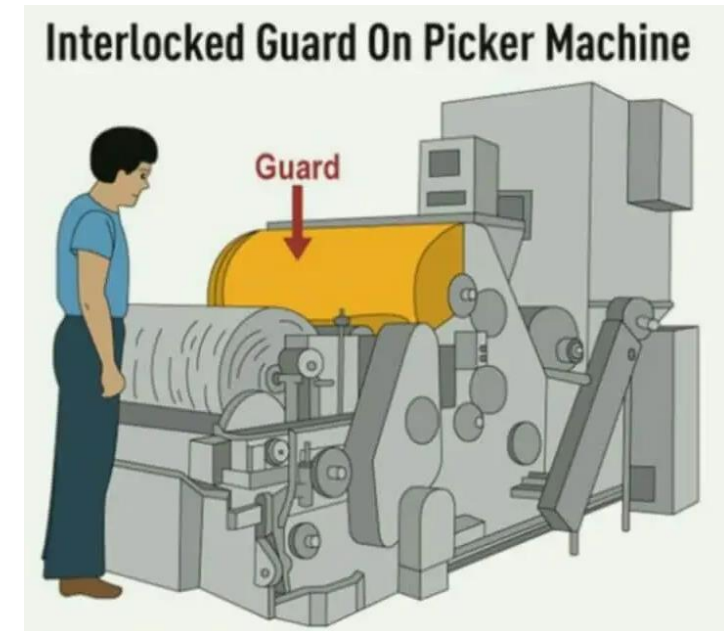
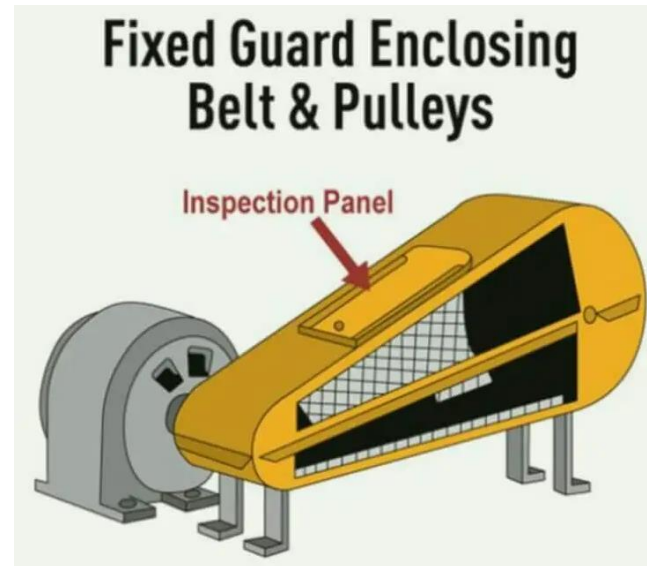
1. Fixed Guard

2. Adjustable Guard

➤ User Adjusted Guard

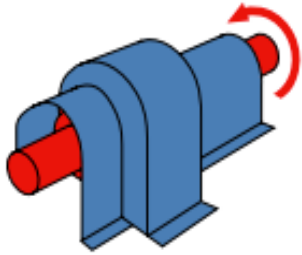
➤ Self Adjusting Guard

3. Interlocked Guard

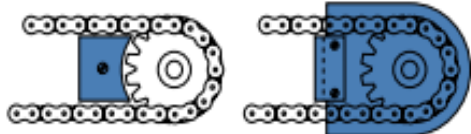




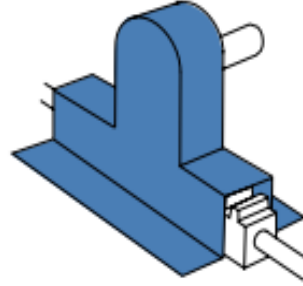
Shaft with projections



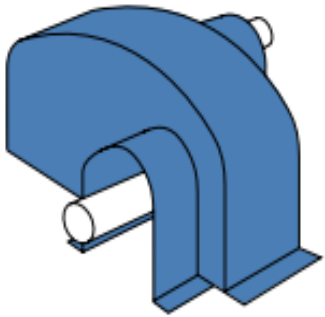
Chain and sprockets



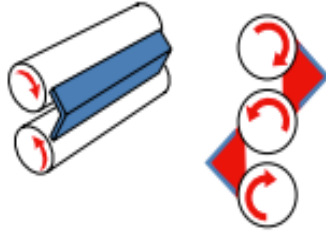
Rack and pinion gears



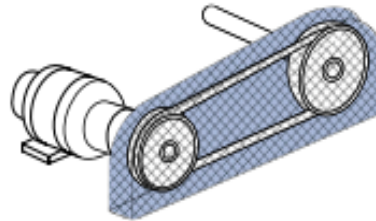
Meshing gears



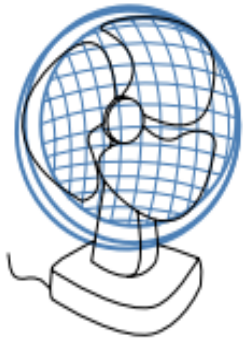
Counterrotating rolls



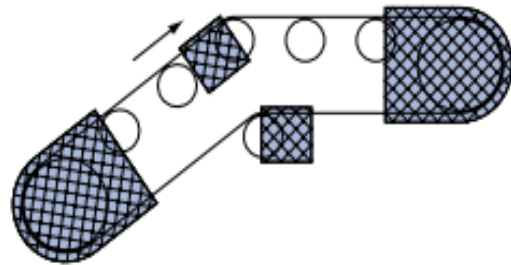
Pulley belts



Axial flow fans



Belt conveyor



# 1. Fixed Guards

Fixed guards have no moving parts and are designed to block access to machinery's dangerous components.

## Characteristics:

- Robust construction, capable of withstanding process stresses and environmental conditions.

## Advantages:

- Simplicity and permanence.
- Difficult to remove.
- Minimal maintenance.

## Disadvantages:

- May not always completely prevent access.
- Vulnerable to being left off by maintenance staff.
- Can pose operational challenges for the machine.

## 2. Adjustable Guard (User Adjusted Guard)

Adjustable guards, whether fixed or movable, can be adapted for specific operations while remaining in place.

### Used when:

- Partial access to dangerous parts is necessary (e.g., Drills, circular saws, milling machines)
- Clearance varies (e.g., changing cutter size on a milling machine, cutting different-sized timber on a circular saw bench).

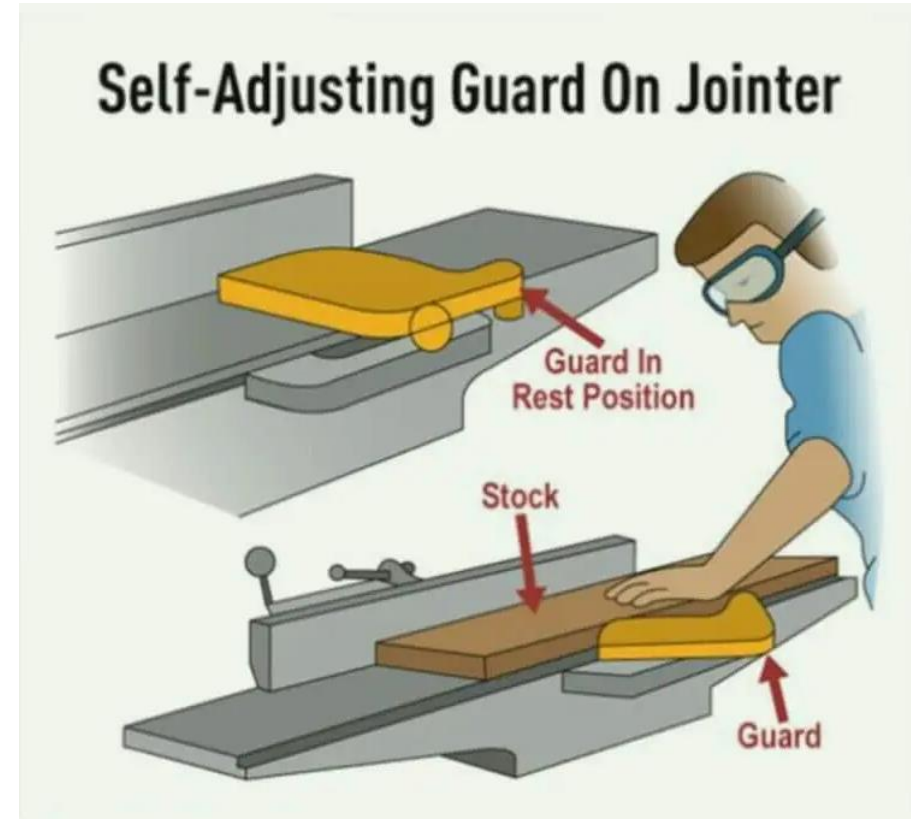
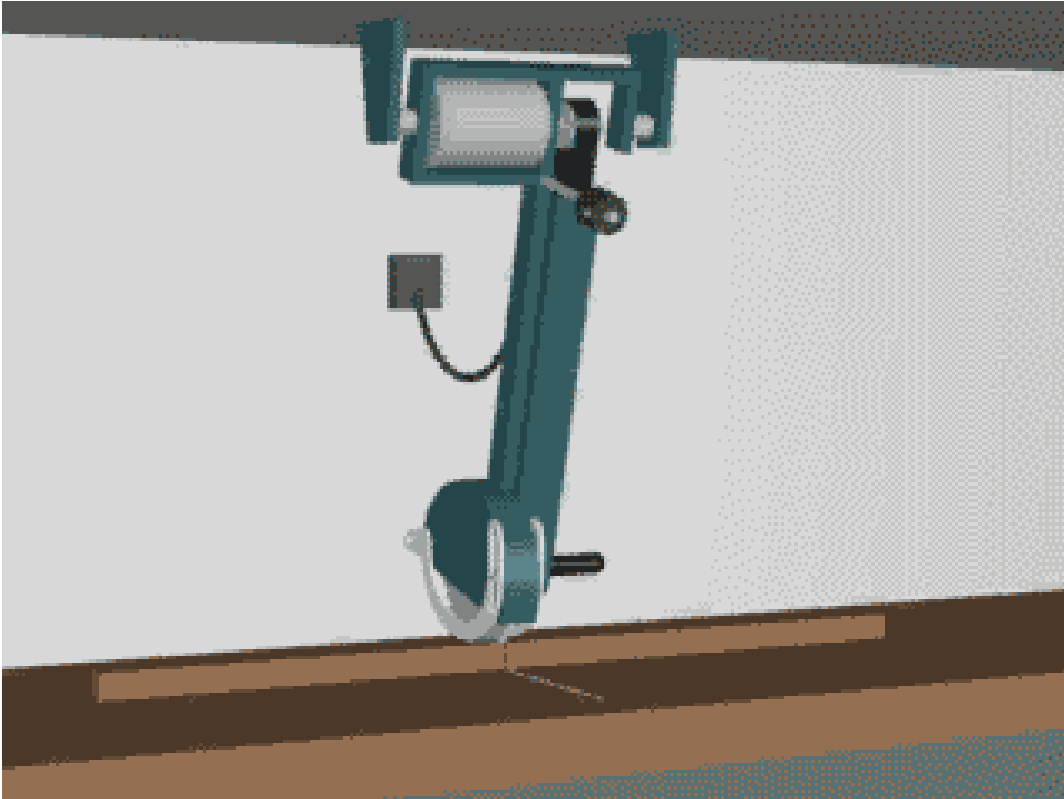
**Necessity for Cutting Tools:** Vital for cutting tools that are otherwise difficult to guard.

**Disadvantage:** Requires frequent re-adjustment to maintain safety during varying operations.



## 2. Adjustable Guard (Self Adjusting Guard)

- A **Self-adjusting Guard** is one which adjusts itself to accommodate, for example, the passage of material.
- **Example:** Spring-loaded guard fitted to many portable circular saws.

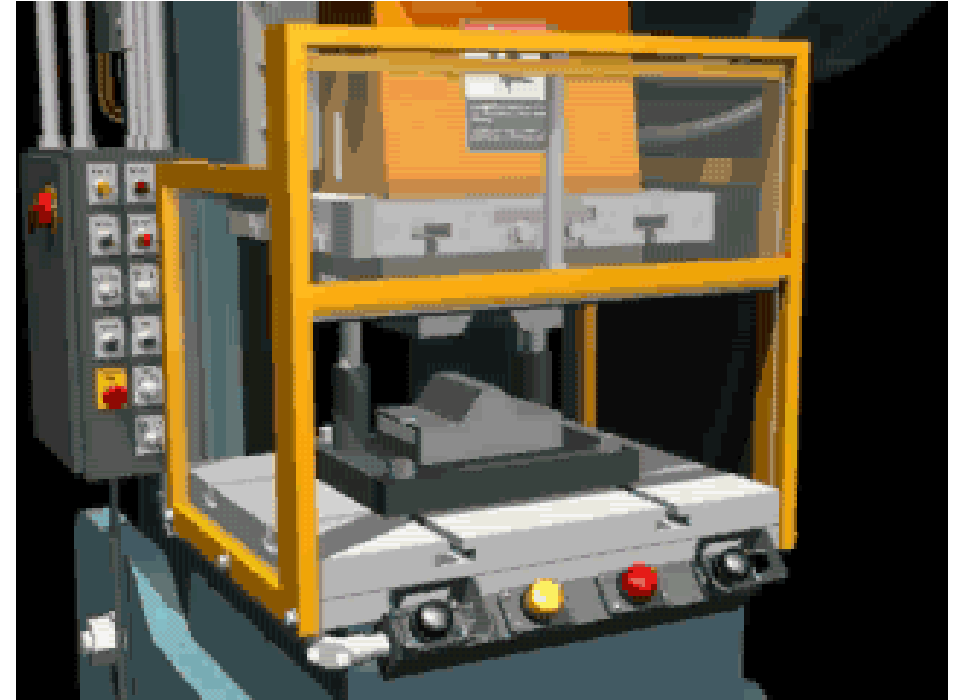


### 3. Interlocked Guard

An interlocking guard is a movable guard or one with a movable part connected to the machine's power or control system.

An interlocking guard must be connected to the machine controls such that:

- Until the guard is closed the interlock prevents the machinery from operating by interrupting the power medium
- Either the guard remains locked until the risk of injury from the hazard has passed or opening the guard causes the hazard to be eliminated before access is possible.



**Maintenance and Inspection procedures must be very strict !**



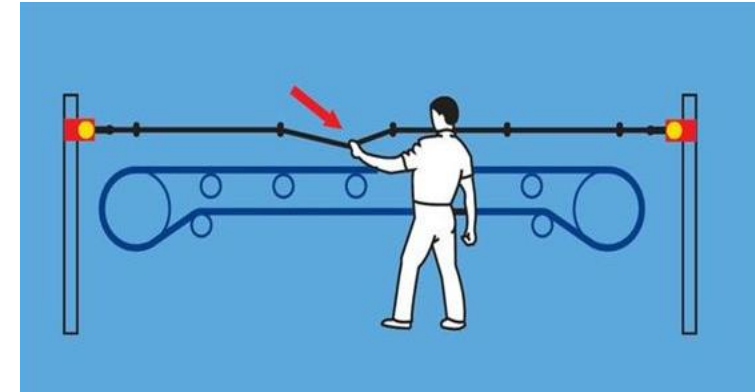
## 1-Pullback Device



## 2- Restraint Device



## 3- Safety Tripwire Cable



# Devices

## 4- Two-handed Control Devices

These are devices which require the operator to have both hands in a safe place (the location of the controls) before the machine can be operated.



Two-hand Control on a Press



### Emergency Switch:

Emergency switch is provided when emergency stopping of machine is necessary,

The switch shall:

- ✓ Be easily accessible to the operator.
- ✓ Be designed for unexpected activation.



## 5- Gates

## Devices

## 6- Sensor

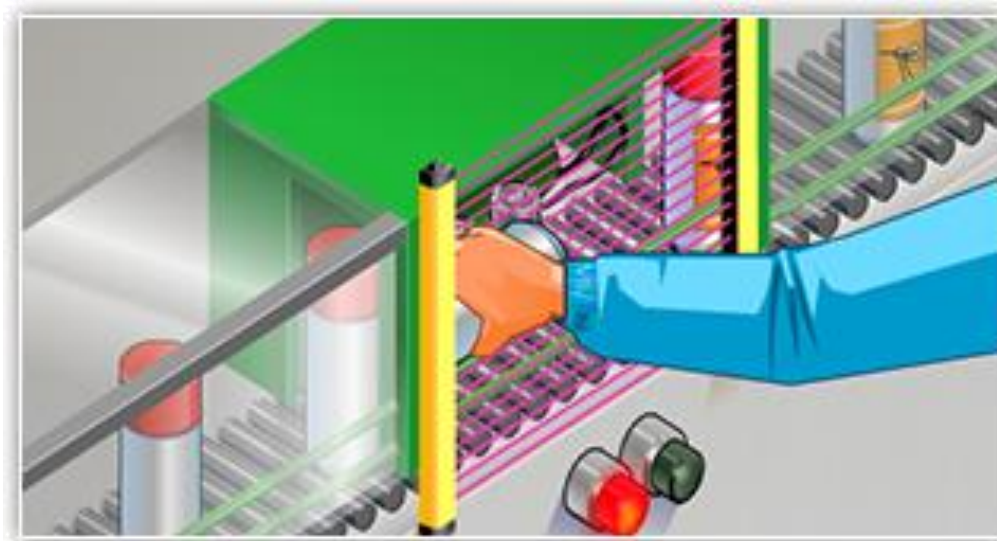
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Gate Open



Gate Closed



## 7- Safeguard by Distance



## 8- Automatic Feed and Robot



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### Non-powered Hand Tools:

A hand tool is any tool that is powered by hand rather than a motor.

- These tools need to be **correct** for the task, **well maintained** and **properly used** by trained people.

### Five Basic Safety Rules:

1. Keep all tools in good condition with regular maintenance.
2. Choose the right tool for the job.
3. Inspect tools for damage before use; do not use damaged tools.
4. Follow manufacturer's instructions for tool usage.
5. Wear and use the right Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

Categories of hand tools include:



Hacksaws



Hammers



Screwdrivers



Chisels



Spanner



## Spark Resistant Tools:

- Around flammable substances, sparks produced by iron and steel hand tools can be a dangerous ignition source.
- Where this hazard exists, use spark-resistant materials like brass, plastic, aluminum, or wood for safety.



## Hand-held Power Tools:

- Different types, based on power source:

- Electric
- Pneumatic
- Liquid fuel
- Hydraulic



### General Hazards related to power tools:

1. **Tripping hazard:** Cables, hoses, or power supplies.
2. **Contact hazards:** Cutting blades or drill bits.
3. **Projectile hazard:** Flying waste material from cutting areas.

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**Lockout/Tagout (LOTO)** - LOTO is used to control the unexpected release of energy from electricity, steam or gas.

- ✓ Lockout/Tagout gets its name from the equipment used.
  - ✓ Lockout/Tagout must be used whenever you are performing service or maintenance on any machine where you or someone else could be injured by the unexpected startup or release of stored energy.
  - ✓ LOTO DOES NOT APPLY to single source plug and cord equipment when the equipment is unplugged and under the exclusive control of the person performing the work.
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- Risk to individuals working on powered equipment or machinery can be minimized by adhering to the **six-step process of LOTO.**

## Types of LOTOs

# LOTO Device

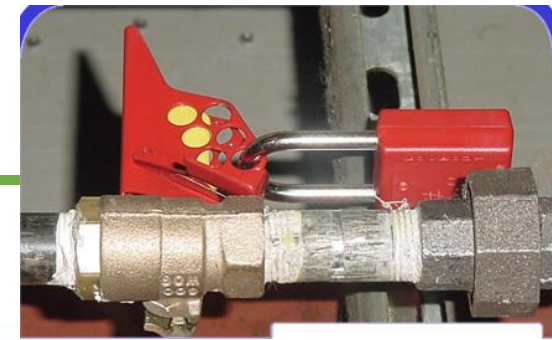
## ✓ Caution Tag

## ✓ Energy Isolating Device

## ✓ Individual LOTO Lock

## ✓ Supervisor Lock

## ✓ Supervisor Tag



## Ball valve locks



# Hasp



## Gate valve locks

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## Types of Hazardous Energy

### ✓ Mechanical

- Relating to springs, rotating parts, etc.

### ✓ Magnetic

- Can be found in capacitors and superconducting magnetic energy storage

### ✓ Gravity

- Can be found in machinery or equipment parts that might descend, slide or fall if left unblocked

### ✓ Electrical

- Relating to or operated by electricity – AC or DC

### ✓ Hydraulic

- Involving, moved or operated by a fluid under pressure, either internal or external

### ✓ Pneumatic

- May be in cylinders, lines and pipes

### ✓ Thermal

- Can be hot or cold

### ✓ Chemical

- Produced as a result of a chemical reaction

### ✓ Steam

- Water vapor kept under pressure so as to supply energy for heating or mechanical work



# 4. Machine Safety

What must workers do before maintenance activities?

1. **Prepare** for shutdown
2. **Shut down** the machine
3. **Disconnect** or isolate the machine from the energy source(s)
4. **Apply** the **lockout** or **tagout device(s)** to the energy-isolating device(s);
5. **Release**, restrain, or render safe all potentially hazardous **stored** or residual **energy**. **Regularly inspect** to avoid re-accumulation of energy if necessary.
6. **Verify** the **isolation** and de-energization of the machine.

## Six Steps process of LOCKOUT TAGOUT

Plan and prepare before shutdown  
"Think before taking action"



Shutdown the equipment  
"Put the equipment at its normal (at rest) position"



Isolate the equipment  
"Separate the equipment from external energy sources"



Verify isolation: Zero energy  
"By taking active measures verify that the machine, equipment or process has been isolated"



Control stored energy  
"Discharge or control any energy stored in the equipment"



Apply Lockout / Tagout Devices  
"Assure that all external energy sources have been properly secured and labeled"



## 4. Machine Safety

### Lockout/Tagout (LOTO) Procedure

#### What are the limitations for tagout devices?

- ✓ A tagout device is a prominent warning of the hazards.
- ✓ Tags do not provide the physical restraint of a lock.
- ✓ Tags may evoke a false sense of security.
- ✓ Therefore, lockout devices are considered more secure and more effective than tagout devices in protecting employees from hazardous energy.



## 4. Machine Safety

### Training

**Before using any machine, you should:**

- ✓ Be trained by qualified person/agent
- ✓ Clarify any doubt on machine usage
- ✓ Have the correct certificate, if required by law
- ✓ Inspect the machine for good condition (or inspected by qualified persons)
- ✓ Do not operate machine unless authorized

### PPE

**Before using any machine, you should ensure that:**

- ✓ Proper PPE is used to conduct the work
- ✓ The PPE is in good condition
- ✓ Proper training has been given on how to use PPE

# 4. Machine Safety

## Safe Practices

The following practices shall be observed at all times:

- ☐ Always use the safety devices correctively;
- ☐ Do not wear loose clothing/ties when operating machines with rotating parts;
- ☐ Tie up or cover up long hair;
- ☐ Use devices to remove trapped materials from the machine;
- ☐ Switch off the machine before retrieving dropped material(s) from inside the machine.





**THANK  
YOU!**

