

SAFETY TOOL BOX MEETING

NO. 33 - WORKING WITH COMPRESSED AIR TOOLS

- 1. See that the hose is clear of dirt or moisture before starting work.
- 2. Ensure that tools are regularly maintained and serviced and matching connections are used.
- 3. See that, where applicable, the proper protective guard is correctly fitted before use.
- 4. Always use attachments which are correct for the speed of the tool
- 5. When using paving breakers, clay spades etc. Always check your hose connection before starting work.
- 6. Wear protective footwear when using paving breakers and stand with feet apart.
- 7. Operators of air cutting, drilling or impact breaking tools must wear eye protectors and are advised to use ear protectors also.
- 8. Before disconnecting any air tool, turn off the compressed air supply on the main air pipe to which your air hose is connected. The air should be exhausted in the line at the tool end.
- 9. The air tool control lever should be released before moving the tool to another piece of work.
- 10. The changing of points (jackhammer) should be undertaken with the tool in a horizontal position. Do uses not blunt points.
- 11. Ensure that points (jackhammer) are securely seated before operating tool.
- 12. In the case of air operated cutting wheels and discs, only operators in possession of a certificate of training are permitted to change and abrasive wheel or disc
- 13. Report all defects immediately.
- 14. Keep away all persons not directly involved in the activity, particularly children and general public.
- 15. Whip checks must be used on all tools and line connections to prevent the hose from flailing if it becomes disconnected.
- 16. When changing Air tools always close the air down by the valve never kink the hose.
- 17. Do not leave hoses lying around for others to trip over.
- 18. Never direct compressed air at yourself or any other person.

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