

EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY SAFE WORK PRACTICES

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This is a general SWP with accompanying HAA but it is your responsibility To be aware of more specific documents concerning individual pieces of equipment and machinery. Check the list of related documention at the end of this SWP. All equipment and machinery used in construction requires caution and training for safe use.

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Refer to the manufacturer's manuals for instructions regarding specific equipment and machinery.

Observe the following safe work practices regarding equipment and machinery:

- Only trained, competent workers will operate equipment, and machinery.
- Inspect equipment for defects or changes in condition at the beginning of each shift
- Inspect equipment for defects or changes in condition at the end of each shift
- Check all guards and hazard control devices prior to use
- Only operate equipment or machinery when all factory-installed or factory-approved guards and control devices are in place
- Remove any defective equipment or machinery from use immediately and report it to the Supervisor
- **Do not** clean, oil, adjust, or repair equipment or machinery until after it is turned off and/or disconnected from its power source
- **Do not** swing suspended loads over workers
- Keep proper clearance from all structures and voltage lines
- Ensure that manufacturers equipment and machinery operation manuals are available at the work site.
- If you have not worked with a piece of equipment on a consistent basis or frequently or feel unsure, practice to get accustomed to the controls.

RELATED DOCUMENTS:

- Circular Saw
- Compressed Air Tools
- Explosive/powder actuated tools
- String trimmer





- Leaf Blower
- Fire Extinguishers
- Hand Tools
- Power Tools
- Defective Tools
- Concrete Grinding
- Grinding
- Ladders
- Lawn Mowers
- And any piece of mobile equipment