

Bandsaw Safety



Bandsaw Safety Tips and Tricks

- 1** Set the saw guide to between 1/4 and 1/2 inch of the stock before turning on the power.
- 2** Do not put your fingers closer than three inches from the blade. Use a push block or stick to keep distance.
- 3** Do not place your hands directly in line with the blade while cutting stock.
- 4** Do not stand on the right side of the bandsaw. A broken blade is likely to fly in that direction.
- 5** Turn off the power before backing out of a cut. This avoids pulling the blade off its wheels.
- 6** Do not twist or bend the saw blade with stock. Make relief cuts for sharp curves and never use extreme force.
- 7** Do not cut round stock on the bandsaw.
- 8** Support stock against the downward thrust of the blade. The toe of the bevel should be flat on the table.
- 9** If the blade breaks, shut off the power, stand clear, let the machine stop, and do not open the wheel guards.
- 10** Do not reach around a moving bandsaw blade.
- 11** Never clean off the bandsaw table with your hands when the saw is running. Use a piece of scrap to remove stock.
- 12** Any operation which requires a special set-up must be approved by the manager or safety team prior to starting.

