

## Safe Operating Procedure Drop Saw (DeWalt)

### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

The following PPE is to be worn when using this machine/equipment



#### POTENTIAL RISKS

- 1 Cuts/lacerations
- 2 Noise
- 3 Pinching
- 4 Eye injury

#### HAZARDS AND HARM

Wound or loss of limb  
Loss of hearing  
Crush finger  
Dust or debris in eye



#### **PRE-OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS**

1. Test n tag
2. Is this the right tool for the right job
3. Check guards / safety features
4. Check the blade is fitted and suited to your task
5. Set up on level surface
6. Housekeeping (is your work area clean?)

#### **SAFE OPERATING PRACTICES**

1. Start the saw before you cut
2. Keep your hands away from the blade and cutting area
3. Don't cut anything under 150mm
4. Make sure the timber is hard up against the fence
5. Ensure material is clean and free of debris
6. Before making adjustments, switch off the saw and bring the machine to a complete standstill
7. Stop saw immediately if the blade develops any odd noise or is not spinning true.  
Report & tag out tool.
8. If power fails, switch machine off and back workpiece away from blade.

#### **ENDING OPERATIONS AND CLEANING UP**

1. Make sure all dust is cleared away so dust doesn't blow into eyes
2. Makes sure machine is locked before moving
3. Make sure the machine is in good working order before putting away or tagged to be fixed
4. Ensure it is stored in a dry, tidy place if possible

#### **DON'T**

1. Cut timber less than 150mm
2. Leave off cuts / rubbish around the machine
3. Use if tags are not current or if tool is red tagged
4. Remove safety features
5. GET COMPLAICENT