

# SOP (TABLE SAW)

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TASK	Table Saw					
HAZARDS	Flying debris	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heat / cold	<input type="checkbox"/>	Electricity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Cuts / laceration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dust	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rollover	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Pinch / crush	<input type="checkbox"/>	Noise / vibration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Plant interaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
	High pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kickback	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>
PPE REQUIRED						

## PRE-START CHECKS

1. Ensure all personnel are trained and authorized to operate the table saw.
2. Inspect the table saw for any visible damage, loose components, or signs of wear.
3. Check that the saw blade is sharp, properly aligned, and securely fastened.
4. Verify that the fence and miter gauge are properly adjusted and securely locked in place.
5. Ensure that the power cord is in good condition and that the power switch is functioning correctly.
6. Confirm that fire extinguishing equipment is readily available in case of emergency.

## SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURE

1. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) including safety glasses, hearing protection, and closed-toe shoes.
2. Position the workpiece on the table saw, ensuring that it is properly supported and clear of the blade path.
3. Adjust the blade height and angle as necessary for the desired cut.
4. Stand to the side of the blade, not directly in line with it, and keep hands clear of the blade path.
5. Start the table saw and allow it to reach full speed before making any cuts.
6. Feed the workpiece into the blade with a steady, controlled motion, keeping fingers away from the blade.
7. Use push sticks or other tools to guide small or narrow workpieces through the cut.
8. Never reach over or behind the blade while it is running, and never remove cut-off pieces until the blade has stopped completely.
9. If any issues or errors occur during operation, stop the table saw immediately and troubleshoot the problem before resuming.

## POST-OPERATION PROCEDURE

1. Turn off the table saw and wait for the blade to come to a complete stop before removing the workpiece.
2. Inspect the cut and the table saw for any defects or issues, reporting any problems to the appropriate personnel.
3. Clean up the work area, removing any sawdust or debris from the table saw and surrounding area.
4. Store the table saw accessories and tools in a designated area, ensuring they are protected from damage and unauthorized use.