

DRILL PRESS Safe Operating Procedure Updated April 2022 Page 1 of 1

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Hazards	flying chips, sharp edges and burrs, cuts, lacerations and amputations	
Tools/Equipment		
Employee Group(s)	Facilities Management – Mechanical & Electrical	

Required PPE:





Safety Shoes

Protection

SAFE WORK PRACTICES

- Do not perform the procedure or operate the equipment until you have been appropriately trained and authorized to do so by your supervisor.
- Inspect required personal protective equipment (PPE) and replace if required.
- Do not wear loose clothing, dangling jewelry, etc.

PROCEDURES

- 1. Make all adjustments with POWER OFF. Adjust table height, depth and rotating speed.
- 2. Select appropriate drill for the job. Do not use drills/cutters designed for wood with metal.
- 3. Position the table and adjust feed depth so that drill/cutter cannot hit table.
- 4. Clamp material firmly with long end of stock to left of the drill.
- 5. Mark the center of the hole to be drilled with a center punch.
- 6. Lubricate the drill bit with cutting oil when drilling iron or steel. Use a coolant when drilling nonferrous metals such as copper, brass or aluminum.
- 7. Ensure hands are at least 15 cm (6 inches) away from rotating drill/cutter.
- 8. Pull feed lever and perform operation slowly and at a consistent pace.
- 9. When making deep holes, clean out the hole frequently. Use a vacuum, brush or rake to remove cuttings.
- 10. Turn power OFF. Ensure chuck has stopped rotating and remove work piece.
- 11. Clean up debris with POWER OFF.