Circular Saws

Introduction

Circular saws can kick back or bind if not handled correctly. Inspect guards, check blades for sharpness, and wear face and hearing protection.

Hazards & Controls

Check that the lower guard moves freely and returns correctly; never wedge it open.

Support and secure material to avoid binding. Keep hands out of the cut and stand clear of the kickback path.

Inspect the tool before each use. Maintain stable footing and a clear work area; disconnect the energy source before adjustments or accessory changes.

Safety Reminders

Use only equipment in good condition and the PPE required for the task. Wait for moving parts to stop before setting the tool down. Store equipment properly after use.

Engagement Questions

What can cause this cut to bind or kick back?

What PPE and site-specific controls do we need before starting?

Sources and use notice

OSHA: Hand and Power Tools

CCOHS: Circular Saws

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