Safety Information for Circular Saw

This page contains important safety information for those who handle circular saws. Please read this information carefully and use the circular saws in a safe manner.

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Improper and unsafe use of a circular saw may result in serious injury.
Please read the instruction manual attached to the product thoroughly before using any circular saw.

For a downloadable pdf version of an owner's manual, please click the following link:
The Instruction Manual

PRIOR TO OPERATION

Use safety equipment.
Always wear eye protection.

Dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection must be used for appropriate conditions.

Loose clothing, jewelry or long hair caught in a moving blade can cause serious injury.

Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Contain long hair.

BE CAREFUL OF THE POWER

Make sure that the **PLUG IS DISCONNECTED** from the power source (or, for battery-operated tools, the battery is removed) when preparing for use or inspecting your tool.

Failure of the above may result in an **UNEXPECTED START OF THE SAW** which can cause serious injury.

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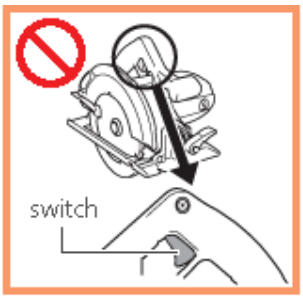

When starting the use of tool, make sure that the **SWITCH IS IN OFF POSITION BEFORE CONNECTING THE PLUG** (or, for battery-operated tools, **INSERTING THE BATTERY**).

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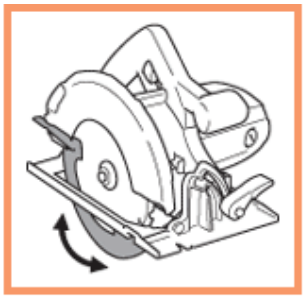
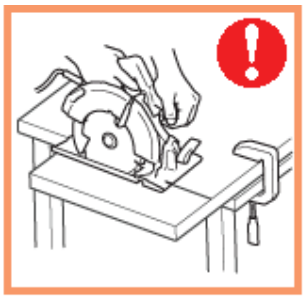
CHECK THE LOWER GUARD



Check if the **LOWER GUARD** moves freely and close instantly before each use.

The **LOWER GUARD** may get stuck due to deformation of the tool, build-up of debris and abnormal condition of the spring. If the **LOWER GUARD** did not close, the moving blade may be exposed towards the operator resulting in serious injury.

BASIC RULES OF SAWING



Basic rules of sawing is to
(i) **support the work piece firmly**, and
(ii) hold the main body of the saw firmly with **BOTH HANDS**.

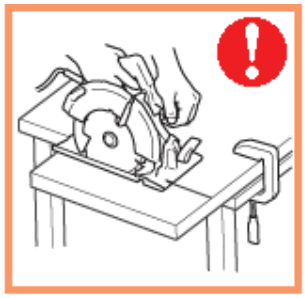
Failure to follow these basic rules can cause loss of control and result in personal injury.

AVOID ACCIDENTS FROM KICKBACK

What is a KICKBACK?

KICKBACK is the unexpected saw lifting up and out of the workpiece toward the operator, caused by a contact of a moving blade and the workpiece.

KICKBACK can make you lose the control of the saw suddenly, and may result in serious injury.



In order to resist kickback forces, strictly follow the basic rules above said;

(i) **support the work piece firmly**, and
(ii) hold the saw firmly with **BOTH HANDS**.

When interrupting a cut, do not move the saw until the blade comes to a complete stop.

When restarting a saw in the middle of a workpiece, make sure that the blade is centered in the kerf.

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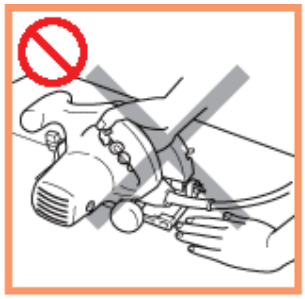
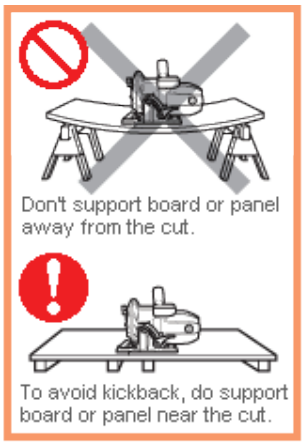
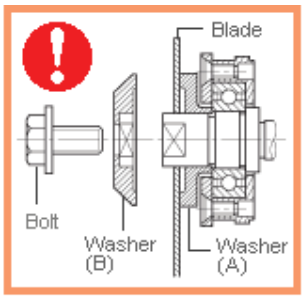


Keep hands away from cutting area and blade.

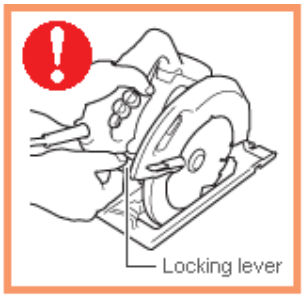


Supports for large panels must be placed under the panel on **BOTH** near the line of cut **AND** near the edge of the panel.



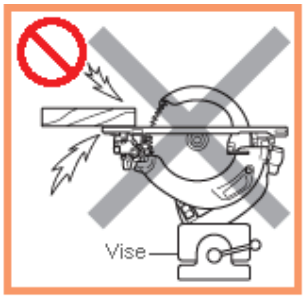
Do not use dull or damaged blades.

Do not use damaged or incorrect blade washers or bolts



Depth and bevel adjusting locking levers must be tight and secure before use.

USE PROPERLY



Never attempt to saw with the circular saw held upside down in a vise.

This is extremely dangerous and can lead to serious accidents.

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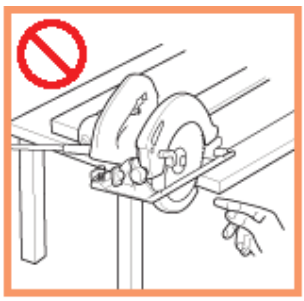
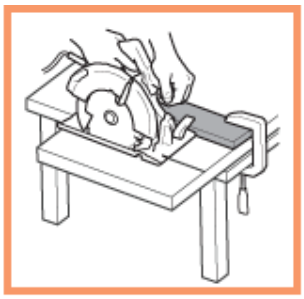


Do not reach **UNDERNEATH THE WORK** where the guard does not protect you from the blade.



When ripping, always use a rip fence or straight edge guide.

This improves the accuracy of the cut and reduces the chances of blade binding which may result in **KICKBACK**.

If the tool appears defective or is operating abnormally, stop the use immediately.

Never alter or modify your tool.

Quick Check List for use: YOU MUST ...

		Check!
BEFORE use,	read the Instruction Manual.	☐
	use safety equipment.	☐
	not wear loose clothing or jewelry.	☐
	contain long hair.	☐
	disconnect the plug when preparing for use.	☐
	check the movement of the Lower Guard.	☐
	check that the blade is not dull or damaged.	☐
	check that the blade, washers and bolts are not damaged nor incorrect.	☐
	check that the locking levers are tight and secure.	☐
	make sure that the switch is in OFF position before connecting the plug.	☐
DURING use,	support workpiece firmly.	☐
	hold the saw firmly with both hands.	☐
	keep hands away from cutting area, blade and underneath the work.	☐
	never use the saw with the saw blade held upside down in a vise.	☐
	when interrupting, do not move the saw until the blade comes to a complete stop.	☐
	when restarting, make sure that the blade is centered in the kerf.	☐
	when cutting large panels, support both sides of the cut and edge.	☐
	when ripping, use a rip fence or straight edge guide.	☐
	stop the use immediately if the tool appears defective or is operating abnormally.	☐
OUT OF use,	disconnect the plug during inspection.	☐
	never alter or modify the tool.	☐

If you have any questions or comments on this safety information, please contact the following:

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