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| **BANDSAW** (wood) |
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| **DO NOT** use this machine unless a teacher has instructed you in its safe use and operation and has given permission |
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| Safety glasses must be worn at all times in work areas. | Hair Protection circleLong and loose hair must be contained or restrained. |
| Foot Protection circleAppropriate protective footwear with substantial uppers must be worn. | ApronClose fitting, protective clothing or a workshop apron is encouraged. |
| **Prohibition circleProhibition circle**Rings and jewellery must not be worn. | Hearing protection may be required for some operations.Hearing Protection circle |

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

1. **Ensure no slip/trip hazards are present in workspaces and walkways.**
2. **Locate and ensure you are familiar with the operation of the ON/OFF starter and E-Stop.**
3. **Check that all guards are in position.**
4. **Ensure push stick is available.**
5. **Lower the blade guide and guard to full effect.**
6. **Start the dust extraction unit before using the saw.**
7. **Faulty equipment must not be used. Immediately report suspect machinery.**

#### OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS

**Keep your fingers off the line of the cut at all times**

1. **Never leave the machine running unattended.**
2. **The work piece should be fed forward evenly and held firmly on the table to ensure effective control during cutting whilst keeping hands in a safe position.**
3. **Use a push stick when feeding material past the blade.**
4. **Do not force a wide blade on a cut of small radius. Use relief cuts when cutting sharp curves.**
5. **Before making adjustments switch off the saw and bring the machine to a complete standstill.**
6. **Stop the machine before attempting to back the work away from the blade.**
7. **Stop the saw immediately if the blade develops a ‘click’. Report it to your teacher.**

#### HOUSEKEEPING

1. **Switch off the saw and reset all guards to a fully closed position.**

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1. **Leave the machine in a safe, clean and tidy state.**

## FORBIDDEN

## ◼ Attempting to cut very small items

**◼ Cutting cylindrical or irregular stock**

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