



Using the Saw Bench

1. Wear the protective equipment including ear defenders and goggles.
2. Check that the saw is switched off and that the blade is stationary before adjusting guides, fences or cutting angles.
3. When cutting a bevel, with the saw blade at an angle, check that the blade fully clears any rip fence or cutting guide.
4. Check that the blade is adjusted to the correct height for the material to be cut. Do not attempt any rebating or grooving – the saw teeth must cut clear through the full depth of the material.
5. Make sure that all locking knobs and clamp handles are tight before starting any operation.
6. To prevent damage to the blade. Check that there are no hidden nails or screws in the wood that is about to be cut.
7. Check that the push stick is within easy reach, ready for use.
8. Use a proper grip or clamping device for cutting round section timber.
9. If someone is assisting with large sheets, make sure that they are ready, and standing well clear of the rear of the table.
10. Check that there are no obstructions on the table, and that the blade is clear before switching the saw on.
11. Keep hands away from the blade – at least 300mm (1ft) from the cutting line, and 150mm (6 ins) from the sides. A proper push stick must be used to handle small pieces of material.
12. Pay attention to the work, and always be prepared for unexpected movement of the material being cut.
13. Let the blade run up to full speed before feeding the wood up to it.
14. Feed the wood steadily onto the blade. Do not force it – this will result in a faster cut.
15. As the trailing edge of a larger sheet of material approaches the blade, the push stick must be used. Push the material until it has cleared the riving knife at the rear of the sawblade.
16. Keep both hands clear of the blade at all times.
17. Use the push stick to move offcuts or small pieces of material away from the blade.
18. Do not attempt to sweep away sawdust or debris while the saw is on. Switch off, and let the blade stop first.
19. Make sure that the machine ventilation slots do not become blocked with dust or debris.
20. Take care not to accidentally pull the plug from the socket.
21. Switch off and unplug before leaving the machine unattended.
22. If the equipment does not work properly, do not attempt to repair it. Contact the hire company.

Please keep this leaflet safely as it may be required for future reference



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The rules and procedures in force where people are at work may require the person responsible for this equipment to carry out a specific risk assessment.

It is important to read this entire leaflet BEFORE using the Saw Bench

1. Electricity can be hazardous and must always be used with great care.
2. This saw bench is designed for cutting wood, and similar composite materials, such as chipboard, hardboard and MDF (medium density fibreboard). Do not try to use it to cut asbestos or metal.
3. The action of this saw bench could cause injury or damage if not used in a careful and controlled way.
4. If the operator has not used a saw bench before they must familiarise themselves with the machine on some straightforward work before starting the main task.
5. The work should be thought out and planned ahead to ensure that it is carried out safely. The safe operation of this woodworking machine requires constant alertness and close attention to the work in hand.
6. The following items of personal protective equipment must be worn as a minimum: Impact resistant goggles: EN166 – B or BS2092 grade 1; Dust mask – a minimum of EN149 FFP3 (s) protection; Ear muffs or plugs giving protection for levels up to 101 dB(A); Gloves; Residual current device (rcd) for 230 volt supply.
7. This saw bench must not be used by minors, or by anyone under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
8. This saw bench is designed for operation by an able-bodied adult. Anyone with either temporary or permanent disability must seek expert advice before using it.



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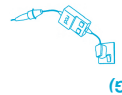
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2. Make sure that no loose clothing or jewellery could be caught in the machine.
3. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
4. Anybody working nearby will also need to wear a minimum of FFP3 (s) protection health – an appropriate dust mask must be worn with softwood, hardwood and composite materials can be hazardous to health.
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Before Starting Work...

WORK AREA

1. Do not use this saw bench where there is a danger of explosion. It will ignite fumes from petrol, or gas cylinders.
2. Make sure that the area is clear and safe, and that the ground is level and solid.
3. Set up the saw bench on a firm flat surface near to you or any other distractions.
4. Protect others from the noise, dust and hazard. Warn others to keep away; put up signs or barriers around the work area.
5. Do not use this saw in the rain or where electrical parts might get wet.

OPERATORS

1. The following items of personal protective equipment (ppe) are the minimum that should be worn when using this machine.
2. Impact resistant goggles (EN166 – B or BS2092 grade 1) must be worn when working with this bench.
3. This saw is likely to cause noise levels up to 101 dB(A) - appropriate ear muffs or plugs giving protection for this level must be worn.
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SAW BLADES

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