

COMMITMENT

To Safety

“HAND & FINGER SAFETY”

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Your hands and fingers are one of your most important “instruments” – take care of yourself by following this guideline for hand safety:

GUIDELINE – HAND PROTECTION

- Be alert to potential hand/finger hazards BEFORE an accident can happen
- Be alert to possible unguarded pinch points
- ALWAYS USE SAFEGUARDS ... push-sticks, guards, shields, and other protective devices
- DO NOT REMOVE GUARDS
- DO NOT PUT FINGERS/HANDS IN OR AROUND MOVING PARTS
- Only use equipment/tools you are trained on and authorized to use
- Use brushes to wipe away debris
- Inspect equipment and machinery BEFORE AND AFTER use to make sure it is in good operating condition
- Disconnect power and follow established lock-out procedures – REPORT TO YOUR SUPERVISOR
- Never wear jewelry, or loose clothing when working with moving machine parts
- Use appropriate personal protective equipment (guards, gloves, forearm cuffs, barrier creams) for the tasks you are performing
- When wearing gloves be sure they fit properly and are rated for the specific task you are performing
- Select tools designed to keep wrists straight

CALL YOUR SUPERVISOR TO REPORT CONCERNS

OR TO ASK FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION