

RADIAL ARM SAW SAFETY RULES

1. KEEP HANDS AND FINGERS AWAY FROM THE PATH OF THE BLADE WHEN CUTTING.
2. CROSSCUT ONLY ONE PIECE OF WOOD AT A TIME.
3. HOLD THE STOCK SOLIDLY AGAINST THE FENCE WHEN MAKING A CUT.
4. GET INSTRUCTORS APPROVAL BEFORE RUNNING THE SAW WHEN SPECIAL SET UPS ARE INVOLVED.
5. DO NOT WALK AWAY FROM THE RADIAL ARM SAW AND LEAVE IT RUNNING.
6. DO NOT PULL OR FORCE THE SAW THROUGH THE WOOD FASTER THAN THE BLADE IS ABLE TO CUT.
7. HOLD THE SAW FIRMLY WHEN CUTTING. THE BLADE MAY TRY TO FORCE ITS WAY THROUGH THE CUT FASTER THAN YOU WANT IT TO. THIS IS CALLED "RIDING UP ON THE BOARD".
8. DO NOT CUT STOCK SHORTER THAN 6 INCHES UNLESS YOU HAVE RECEIVED SPECIAL PERMISSION FROM THE INSTRUCTOR.
9. AT THE FINISH OF EACH CUT, RETURN THE SAW TO THE NORMAL STARTING POSITION AND BEWARE OF A BOUNCE BACK TENDENCY.
10. NEVER REACH NEAR THE BLADE TO REMOVE SCRAP. TURN THE MACHINE OFF TO REMOVE SCRAP PIECES OF WOOD FROM AROUND OR BEHIND THE BLADE.
11. ALLOW THE BLADE TO COME TO A COMPLETE STOP BEFORE REMOVING SCRAP WOOD FROM AROUND OR BEHIND THE BLADE.
12. BE AWARE OF PEOPLE WHO ARE AROUND YOU BEFORE MAKING YOUR CUT. SOMEONE COULD BUMP YOUR STOCK WHILE YOU ARE CUTTING AND CAUSE AN ACCIDENT.
13. DO NOT REMOVE ANY GUARDS. KEEP THEM IN THEIR PROPER POSITION.
14. DO ALL MEASURING AND MARKING OF STOCK TO BE CUT BEFORE TURNING THE MACHINE ON.
15. ONLY CUT STOCK AGAINST THE GRAIN OF THE WOOD. NEVER CUT STOCK WITH THE GRAIN OF THE WOOD.