



## Safety Rules: Power Sanders

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### Purpose

This document outlines the rules for the safe operation of power sanders.

### Scope

This document applies to all authorised maintenance workers, deemed competent by their supervisor.

### Training

Workers using power sanders must be competent with the task required as well as competent with the equipment being used. The supervisor or another competent worker must train workers in the use of the equipment and in accordance with the Manufacturer's Instruction booklet.

### Rules

1. Operators **must follow the operating procedures outlined in the Manufacturer's information booklet.** The Manufacturer's Instructions must be kept with the equipment.
2. Ensure all guards are in place
3. PPE to be worn: Safety glasses or full-face shield, safety boots, hearing protection. Consider the material to be sanded and wear a dust mask / respirator as appropriate.
4. Ensure no hair or loose clothing can get near work surface
5. Use appropriate manual handling techniques – do not bend and twist the back, use the legs. Take regular rest breaks. Remember, vibration can also cause manual handling injuries.