

# TABLE SAW SAFETY

**DO NOT** use this machine unless you have been trained on the safe operation and you have been given permission by your instructor or supervisor

**PPE**  
Personal Protective Equipment



Do not wear gloves, dangling jewelry, or any other loose-fitting clothing that could get caught in the blade



## Operational Safety

1. Set blade height maximum  $\frac{1}{4}$ " above stock. This ensures that if your hand slips, you will get a slight cut rather than lose a limb.
2. Always use the blade guard, spreader and anti-kickback when *ripping* wood.
3. Do not perform any freehand operation.
4. Never reach around or over the saw blade.
5. Stand offset from blade path to reduce kickback exposure.
6. Check stock for nails, knots screw, stones, etc. These items can become projectiles and cause injury.
7. Release work only after it has gone past the blade.
8. Keep hands a minimum of 3" away from the blade.
9. Use a push stick to cut stock that less than 6" wide.
10. Make sure that the blade has stopped turning before you adjust the table.
11. Do not leave the saw until the blade has come to a complete stop.
12. Use:
  - Fence for rip cuts.
  - Miter gauge for crosscuts
  - Never use both at the same time

