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Table Saw Operational Safety Procedures

1. Wear a face shield or approved safety glasses.
2. Always wear hearing protection that is designed for the saws frequency.
3. Keep your work area clean and non obstructive.
4. Use saw blades that are rated for saw and for the job you are planning to do. Always refer to your manual.
5. Buy accessories that are rated for your saw. Never try to make others fit without the proper adaptor.
6. Make sure that the guard is on the saw before using.
7. Always stand on the handle side when you are doing a cross cut pull the cutting head with hand is closest to the handle.
8. Make sure that your hands are nowhere near the blade.
9. After each cut return the cutting head to the back of the saw. The blade should not be able to move forward on its own weight.
10. When you are ripping lumber make sure it is fed against the dire (of the blade).
11. Do not cut free hand. Always use the back guide.
12. Never leave your table saw running unattended.