

SAFETY *FIRST* SERIES

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Hand and power tools are a common part of our everyday lives and are present in nearly every industry. However, these simple tools can be hazardous and have the potential for causing severe injuries when used or maintained improperly. The employer is responsible for the safe condition of tools and equipment used by employees, but the employees have the responsibility for properly using and maintaining tools.



Use the right tool for the job. A wrench shouldn't be used as a hammer or a screwdriver as a chisel, etc. Take a few minutes to go get the right tool.



Only use tools that are not broken or damaged. Dull cutting tools or worn out pieces increase chance of injury.



Examine all tools for damage before each use. Inspect power cords. If damage is found, take the tool out of service and report the condition to your supervisor.



All power tools shall have a 3-prong grounded plug or be double-insulated. All power tools shall be UL listed.



Maintain solid footing and good balance when using tools. Hold or brace the tool securely. Be aware of your surrounding environment.



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