

WAC 296-304-08001 General precautions. (1) Hand lines, slings, tackles of adequate strength, or carriers such as tool bags with shoulder straps must be provided and used to handle tools, materials, and equipment so that employees will have their hands free when using ship's ladders and access ladders. The use of hose or electric cords for this purpose is prohibited.

(2) When air tools of the reciprocating type are not in use, the discs and tools must be removed.

(3) All portable, power-driven circular saws must be equipped with guards above and below the base plate or shoe. The upper guard must cover the saw to the depth of the teeth, except for the minimum arc required to permit the base to be tilted for bevel cuts. The lower guard must cover the saw to the depth of the teeth, except for the minimum arc required to allow proper retraction and contact with the work. When the tool is withdrawn from the work, the lower guard must automatically and instantly return to the covering position.

(4) The moving parts of machinery on dry docks must be guarded.

(5) Before use, pneumatic tools must be secured to the extension hose or whip by some positive means to prevent the tool from becoming accidentally disconnected from the whip.

(6) The moving parts of drive mechanisms, such as gearing and belting on large portable tools, must be adequately guarded.

(7) Headers, manifolds, and widely spaced hose connections on compressed air lines must bear the word "air" in letters at least 1 inch high, which must be painted either on the manifolds or separate hose connections, or on signs permanently attached to the manifolds or connections. Grouped air connections may be marked in one location.

(8) Before use, compressed air hose must be examined. Visibly damaged and unsafe hose must not be used.

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