

**WAC 296-807-14040 Make sure fastener driving air tools (nailers and staplers) are safe.** (1) You must make sure any fastener driving air tool discharges all air in the tool when disconnected from the compressed air supply.

(2) You must make sure that all pneumatically driven nailers, staplers, and other similar equipment provided with automatic fastener feed have a safety device on the muzzle to prevent the tool from ejecting fasteners, unless the muzzle is in contact with the work surface.

**Note:** Pneumatic nailers or staplers do not need this safety device if:

1. The overall weight of the fastening device does not exceed the weight of one and one-half inches of standard 18-gauge wire. The normal maximum diameter tolerance for manufacturing standard 18-gauge wire is .045 inches.
2. The operator and any other person within twelve feet of the point of operation wear approved eye protection.

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