

# Table Saw

BEST PRACTICES

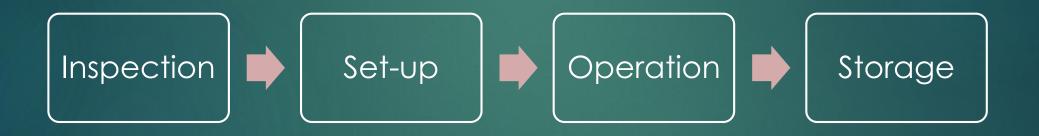
## Table Saw Purpose

- ► NCU's Table Saw Purposes
  - Cutting Plywood
  - Cutting aluminum sheeting
  - ▶ Cutting Lumber
  - Cutting high density foam





#### Best Practice - Tooling





#### Inspect Before Use

- What to Inspect
  - ▶ If using extension cord (A.W.G) of 14 or higher
  - Previous defects to confirm they're resolved
  - Adjusting keys/wrenches removed
  - ▶ Blade sharpness
  - ► Guard in place and functioning properly

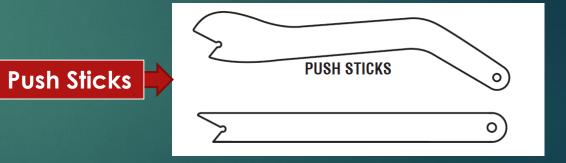




## Safety

- Protection
  - ► Eye Protection
  - ▶ No baggy clothing
  - ▶ Sleeves rolled up
- Safe Practices
  - ► Keep 3" margin of safety from blade
  - Use push sticks when necessary
  - Keep firm control of material

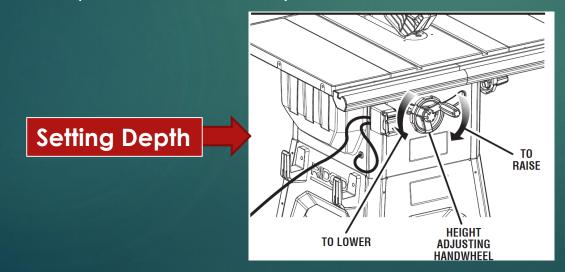






#### Set-Up

- Clear off table
- Pick correct blade for material
- ▶ Set Depth (blade teeth 1/8" 1/4" above material)
- Secure fence or miter gauge (depends on cut)
- ▶ Have push stick readily accessible





#### Preventing Kickbacks

- Avoid
  - Wood with knots, screws, or nails
  - Wet lumber
  - Warped lumber
  - ▶ Twisting the material
- Common kickback causes
  - Wrong blade depth
  - Wrong blade for material
  - Forcing material



#### **WARNING:**

Do not allow familiarity with tools to make you careless. Remember that a careless fraction of a second is sufficient to inflict serious injury.



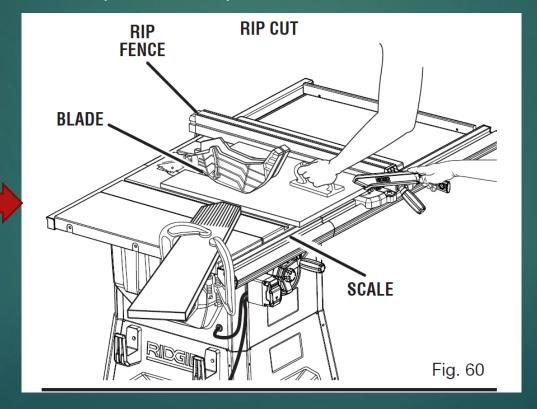
#### Operation

- Clear off table
- Start blade
- Hold a firm grip on material
- Press it flush against miter gauge or fence (depending on cut)
- Begin to guide material through
- Use push stick to finish guiding through if necessary
- ▶ Turn off blade
- Wait for blade to come to a complete stop
- Remove scrap



# Rip Cut

▶ Guide material firmly across rip fence

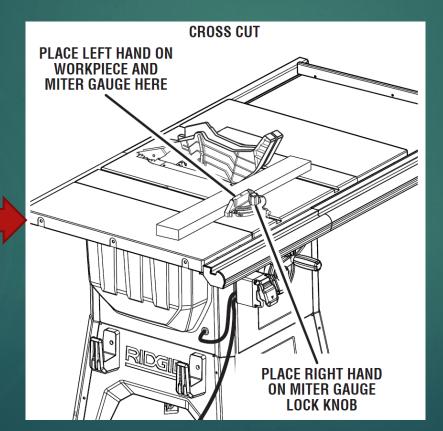


Rip Cut Instructions



#### Cross Cut

▶ Guide material firmly across miter gauge



**Cross Cut Instructions** 



#### Watch Out For...

- ▶ Things to watch out for
  - Frayed Cords
  - ▶ Loose parts
  - Lumber: wet, nails, knots, screws, warped
- Common Improper Use
  - ▶ Not keeping material secure throughout cut
  - ▶ Twisting material during cut
  - Wrong blade depth
  - ▶ Free handing



#### Instructional Video

▶ Table Saw Video



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cNKqNFnWQPs

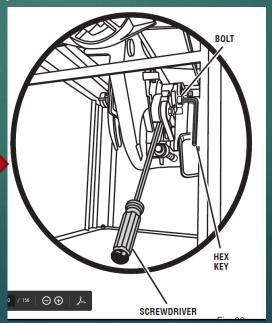


#### General Maintenance

- Use clean cloth to remove dirt, dust, grease, oil, etc.
- Periodically check clamps, nuts, bolts and belts for tightness.
- Clean sawdust from underneath table and on blade teeth
- Periodically remove the back panel and clean dust chute

Periodically change the belt

**Changing Belt** 



## Tool Storage

Clean Surface of table saw and blades

▶ Make sure the saw is unplugged from power source

Store in a clean dry area



# Training



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