

Working Safely in your Home Workshop

- Keep your work space clean and orderly
- Make sure your work space has enough light and ventilation
- Always wear safety glasses
- Wear hearing protection when using power tools.
- Wear close-toe shoes
- Keep long hair tied back
- Do not wear jewelry or loose clothing (roll up sleeves, tuck in ties and hoodie drawstrings)
- Make sure others in the area wear safety glasses, close-toed shoes and follow all other precautions
- Have a charged fire extinguisher and first aid kit handy
- Don't overload outlets and use Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCI)
- Minimize distractions while you are working (pets, young children etc.)
- Make sure others know you will be working to minimize interruptions-use a sign at the entrance of the work area if needed
- Keep young children away from the work area
- Carry tools with blades, bits and other sharp parts pointing down and away from body
- Clamp material you are working on to keep hands free and safe from tools
- Make sure all machine guards are in place
- Concentrate on your work
- Only use tools that are properly maintained
- Make sure all power tools are grounded or double insulated
- Make sure all power tools are turned off after use

