

MANUAL HANDLING OF LOADS RISK ASSESSMENT (MH005)

Note: This checklist will remind you of the main points to think about while you: Consider the risk of injury from manual handling operations, identify steps that can remove or reduce risk, Decide your priorities for action.

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT

Operations covered by this assessment:

Cutting on Beam Saw

Location: Production

Personnel involved: One person

Date of Assessment: 17th July 2020

Overall priority for remedial action:

Nil/ Low/ **Med**/High

Remedial action to be taken: See Section D

Date by which action is to be taken:

17th November 2020

Date of re-assessment:

17th November 2020

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SECTION A - Preliminary					
Q1 Do the operations involve a significant risk of injury	Yes	Yes No			
Q2 Can the operations be avoided/mechanised/automated at reasonable cost? If 'No' discuss with the Management If 'Yes' proceed and then check that the result is satisfactory	Yes	No			
SECTION B - More detailed assessment overleaf					
	Insignificant				
Q3 What is your overall assessment of the risk of injury? If not 'Insignificant' go straight to Section D If 'Insignificant' the assessment need go no further	Low	Med	High		

SECTION D - Remedial action:

Q4 Remedial steps to be taken, in order of priority. None identified at this time.

AND FINALLY:

Complete the SUMMARY above. Decide your priorities for action.

TAKE ACTION ... AND CHECK THAT IT HAS THE DESIRED EFFECT



SECTION B – More detailed assessment, where necessary:

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Questions to consider: (If the answer to a question is 'Yes' place a tick against it and then consider the level of risk)	Level of risk: (Tick as appropriate)		te)	Possible remedial action: (Make rough notes in this column in preparation for completing Section D)	
In red is hazards to consider	Yes	Low	Med	High	
The tasks					
Do they involve: Holding loads away from trunk? Twisting? Stooping? Carrying? Reaching the load at ground level? Lifting the load at ground	√		V		Move feet avoid twisting body.
level? Reaching upwards?	√	√			This task is minimal on each batch handled.
Large vertical movement? Bending sideways? Handling while seating? Long carrying distances?	√	√			This task is minimal on each batch handled.
Strenuous pushing or pulling? Unpredictable movement of loads? Insufficient rest or	V		√		Any pushing or pulling is minimal, during the day the operator does other tasks so not on this process all day.
recovery? A work-rate imposed by a process/repetition?	√		√		Some repetition, take reasonable time to complete the task.
The loads Are they: Bulky/ Unwieldy? Difficult to grip? Hot to touch? Cold to touch?	V	٧			The load is not lifted only transferred from stacker to band saw.
Heavy? Light? Sharp/Abrasive? Unstable/unpredictable? Eccentric shape?	√	√			The load is not lifted only transferred from stacker to band saw.

The working environment Are there: Hot environments? Cold environments? Humid environments? Strong air movements? Dusty conditions? Noisy environment? Vibration exposure? Constraints on posture? Obstructions? Need to negotiate steps? Flooring - Slopes? Uneven/Slippery surfaces Poor lighting conditions?	~ ~	√ √			Maintain good housekeeping standards Wear hearing protection as appropriate.
Individual capability Does the task require: Require unusual capability? Hazard to those with health problems? Hazard to those who are pregnant? Hazard to those persons either young or older persons? Call for special information/training?	√ √ √	√	√ √	V	Need to be physically fit as work can be strenuous at times also allow for recovery time. No persons that are likely to be pregnant undertake this task. Care to be taken for persons that fall into this category. All persons are trained in manual handling techniques upon induction and at regular intervals (Yearly basis)
Other factors Is movement or posture hindered by clothing or personal protective equipment?	٧	٧			Make sure that any clothing is removed or repositioned so that the lifting technique is not restricted.

When you have completed Section, B go to Section C

Deciding the level of risk will inevitably call for judgement.