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RA015**

**Thickneser**

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*Hazard Identification and Assessment*





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1	Kickback	Injuries sustained due to machine jamming	3	3	9	<p>Never exceed 2mm depth off cut.</p> <p>Always feed product into aperture gradually.</p> <p>Never feed in product with embedded nails or screws</p>	4	1	4
2	Cuts to hands when changing blades	Cuts to hands when changing tools	3	4	12	<p>Make sure you are wearing 'cut resistant' gloves when changing the blades.</p> <p>Always make sure that the machine is isolated fully before replacing cutter blades</p>	3	1	3



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			S	P	RR SxP			S	P	RR SxP
3	Slip, Trips & Falls	Slip/fall resulting in an injury.	4	3	12	Make sure that housekeeping is maintained to a high standard, minimising dust build up.		4	1	4



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4	Noise Exposure	Potential hearing loss	3	3	9	All persons must make sure that hearing protection is worn at all times whilst operating the machine.		3	1	3
5	Eye Injuries	Potential of a wood particulate entering the eye coming from the machine.	4	3	12	Eye Protection to be worn whilst operating the machine. Eye wash station to be provided, in close proximity of the machine.		4	1	4



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6	Dust Exposure	Inhalation of wood dusts	3	2	6	Make sure good housekeeping is being maintained. Do not make dust airborne. Make sure the local extraction system is working at the correct rate. This should be checked every 14 months by a competent person.		3	1	3



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7	Untrained Operative using the machine.	Injuries could be sustained if you are not trained and operating the machine in an unsafe matter.	4	3	12	Only authorised and trained personnel permitted to operate the machine.	.	4	1	4
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8	Cuts to hands when operating the machine.	Injuries sustained due to being exposed to cutter blade.	3	2	6	Keep hands away from rotating blades. Adjust side guards in accordance with the thickness of the material to be cut. Machine cannot be operational without two buttons being pressed at the front of the machine. The machine has two handed controls in place.	.	3	1	3
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9	Changing the blades on the machine	Injuries due to not isolating the machine when changing the blades	4	3	12	Before changing any blades make sure that the machine is fully isolated	.	4	1	4
10	Entanglement and Trapping	Injuries due to entanglement and trapping	4	3	12	Gloves must <b>not</b> be worn when operating this machine. Rings, ties, watches and any other jewellery must be removed. Push sticks are to be used.		4	1	4





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SIGNING ON REGISTER

PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE DURING THE WORK- declaration

I, the undersigned, have read discussed and fully understand the above R.A.M.S. (Risk Assessment on the THICKNESSER and will adhere to all its method of working and conditions set down.

PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE

**NOTE: -**

All personnel in the work party must read, agree and sign the above prior to commencing the work.

If during the course of the work there are any changes to the method of work, the work must **stop** and a new R.A.M.S. produced in line with the method / conditions of work.