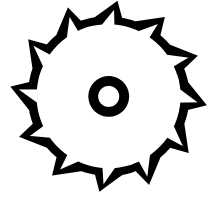


Table Saw Safety Test



Name _____ Date _____ Score _____

Instructions: This is a test of your knowledge of safety on the table saw. You will need a working knowledge of the safety and proper use. Place an “S” beside the number if the statement is safe. Place a “U” beside the number if the statement is unsafe.

S / U

- 1 _____ Use the right type of blade and be sure it is sharp and in good condition.
- 2 _____ The teeth should point toward where the operator stands.
- 3 _____ Use the blade guard, splitter guard and other safety devices.
- 4 _____ Safety glasses do not need to be worn when using a table saw.
- 5 _____ Disconnect the saw before making any major changes or adjustments.
- 6 _____ Adjust the blade so that it protrudes no more than $\frac{1}{4}$ " higher than the material being cut.
- 7 _____ Always rip down the length of the material.
- 8 _____ Never saw free hand.
- 9 _____ Check the condition of the wood. It must be free of defects.
- 10 _____ It is okay to saw warped wood.
- 11 _____ Keep your hands and arms away from the blade and avoid reaching over the top of the blade.
- 12 _____ Use a push stick to clear the area around the blade.
- 13 _____ Wait for the saw to come to full speed, before feeding lumber.
- 14 _____ Never back out of a cut while the saw is still moving.
- 15 _____ Ask for help when trying to cut a large piece of wood.

16. What is the best way to be sure the table saw will not accidentally start while you are changing saw blades?
- Use a board to block the blade
 - Lockout the electrical energy source
 - Have someone stand guard
17. How much higher than the thickness of the stock should you raise the saw blade?
- 1 inch
 - 1/2 inch
 - 1/4 inch
 - 1/8 inch
18. Is it ever acceptable practice to use a table saw without the saw guard in place?
- Yes
 - No
 - Only if the guard itself creates a hazard
19. Where should you stand while operating the table saw?
- Directly behind the blade
 - To the right or left of the blade
 - On the table
20. When is it necessary to use a push stick?
- Anytime a piece of wood is cut
 - When the size of the wood causes your hand placement to be within 2" of the blade
 - Never, they are only in the way

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