



## SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURE



# Biscuit Joiner



**DO NOT** use this power tool unless you have had instruction and training in its safe use and operation.

**Teacher permission MUST** be given to operate this power tool.

The risk of injury when using this machine is **SUBSTANTIAL**

## IDENTIFIED RISKS AND HAZARDS

Hazards that may arise when operating the biscuit joiner include:

- moving and rotating parts (blade and tool disintegration)
- inhalation of dust particles
- electrocution from power faults, faulty equipment or incorrect use
- burns from hot materials or friction

## PRE-OPERATIONAL SAFETY

- Before using the biscuit joiner, examine the power cord, extension lead, plugs, sockets and power outlet for damage.
- Before starting the biscuit joiner ensure that the cutting bit, fences, guards and attachments are secure and correctly fitted.
- Always inspect the workpiece to ensure that there aren't any items which might damage the cutting bit or cause injury to the operator.
- Secure and support the workpiece using clamps, bench vices or appropriate weights.

## OPERATING SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Keep fingers and hands clear of moving parts and the cutting bit.
- Always keep the power cord clear of moving parts and the cutting bit.
- Ensure that material being worked on is well supported or held securely where necessary.
- Never make adjustments while the biscuit joiner is running.
- Do not strain power cord especially by lifting or dragging biscuit joiners by the cords, or by pulling on the cord to remove the plug from the power outlet.
- Never operate the machine with the blade locked in the exposed position or without the blade cover secured properly in place.
- Never reach the hands underneath the workpiece while the cutting blade is rotating.
- Never leave the biscuit joiner switched on and running unattended.

