

SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP)





OXY WELDER

Do not attempt to use this equipment without formal instruction/training

SAFETY HAZARDS / RISKS

- Ignition sources
- Eye injuries

- Hot work pieces
- Burn injuries

- Fire risks
- 1. Welding shield and foot protection MUST be worn.
- 2. Welding overalls and approved gloves MUST be worn and fully cover arms, torso and legs.
- 3. Hair MUST be covered or restrained.
- 4. Familiarise yourself with and check all equipment operations and controls.
- 5. Turn on fume extraction system before using equipment.
- 6. Ensure area is clear of other people and flammable material before using the equipment.
- 7. Ensure work is secured by vice or clamps.
- 8. Before lighting up inspect all equipment for damage or leaks.
- 9. Never stand in front of regulator gauge faces when opening cylinder valves.
- 10. Ensure torch is not pointing towards yourself or others when lighting up.
- 11. Turn on oxygen and gas cylinders gradually. Never use acetylene at a gauge pressure above 100kPa.
- 12. Follow shut down procedures as advised by Teacher.
- 13. Always use tongs and welding gloves to handle hot work and cool down in water trough.
- 14. Never leave hot work on cutting benches. Jobs should be labelled "HOT".
- 15. Sweep and clean welding bay and remove scrap material when finished.

NOTE: Refer to Safe Work Procedure (SWP) for more detail.

REPORT ALL FAULTS IMMEDIATELY TO SUPERVISOR

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