



## SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURE



# Random Orbit Sander



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

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

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

## IDENTIFIED RISKS AND HAZARDS

Hazards that may arise when operating the random orbital sander include:

- moving and vibrating parts
- movement of the workpiece
- inhalation of dust particles
- electrocution from incorrect use
- high noise levels

## PRE-OPERATIONAL SAFETY

- Before using the sander, examine the power cord, extension lead, plugs, sockets and power outlet for damage.
- Before starting the sander ensure that the sanding sheet is correctly fitted.
- Do not use a worn or damaged sanding sheet.
- Always inspect the workpiece to ensure that there aren't any items which might damage the sanding sheet or cause injury to the operator.

## OPERATING SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Always keep the power cord clear of the sanding pad.
- Ensure that material being worked on is well supported or held securely where necessary.
- Never operate sanders in wet or damp conditions.
- Make sure to hold the sander by the insulated gripping surfaces.
- Be sure the sander switch is in the "OFF" position before connecting to the power supply. Uncontrolled sanders are dangerous and extremely vulnerable to damage.
- Always make sure the dust bag is in place and make sure you empty it regularly for efficient operation of the sander.
- Do not strain the power cord by lifting or dragging the sander by the cords, or by pulling on the cord to remove the plug from the power outlet.
- Position the power cord with care to avoid creating a trip hazard.

