

Safe Use of Pneumatic Nailing & Stapling Equipment

- Permit only trained and experienced workers to operate pneumatic nailing and stapling tools.
- Wear proper eye (safety glasses) and hearing (ear plugs and/or ear muffs) protection.
- Make sure the tool is maintained in safe operating condition.
- Inspect the tool before connecting to the air supply.
 - Check safety mechanisms if applicable.
 - Ensure the screws and cylinder caps are securely tightened.
 - Make sure the air pressure is as specified by the manufacturer for the tool.
- Before using, check that the tool is properly connected to the air supply and is in working order, with the safety mechanism operable.
- Do not operate the tool at air pressures above the manufacturer's specifications.
- Always handle the tool as if it contains fasteners (loaded).
- Always use a work-contacting element that limits the contact area to one as small as practical.
- Make sure the mechanical linkage between the work-contacting element and the trigger is enclosed.
- Disconnect the tool from the air supply and exhaust all air from the tool by squeezing the trigger when.
 - Not in use, or
 - Cleaning or adjusting, or
 - Clearing a blockage, or
 - Reloading
- Use only fasteners recommended by the manufacturer of the tool, and follow the manufacturer's instructions when reloading.
- Do not point the tool at yourself or any other person.
- Do not squeeze the trigger unless the nose piece of the tool is directed at a safe work surface.
- Do not transport the tool with your finger on the trigger.
- Do not secure the trigger in the ON position.
- Do not overreach when using the tool.
- Ensure you have the right amount of air pressure for the size and type of nail/staple you are using.
Caution: Too much pressure can cause a nail/staple to go right through the material and could cause serious injury to other workers.
- If using nailers powered by butane or powder actuated be sure to follow the manufacturer's safe operating procedures on those as well.



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Employer: _____ Project: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ Shift: _____

Number in crew: _____ Number attending: _____

Safety or Health issues discussed. Include recent accident investigations and hazards involving tools, equipment, the work environment, work practices and any Safety or Health recommendations:

Follow up on recommendations from last safety meeting:

Record of those attending:

Name: (please print)	Signature:	Company:
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Supervisor's remarks: _____

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