

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY · WORK EQUIPMENT

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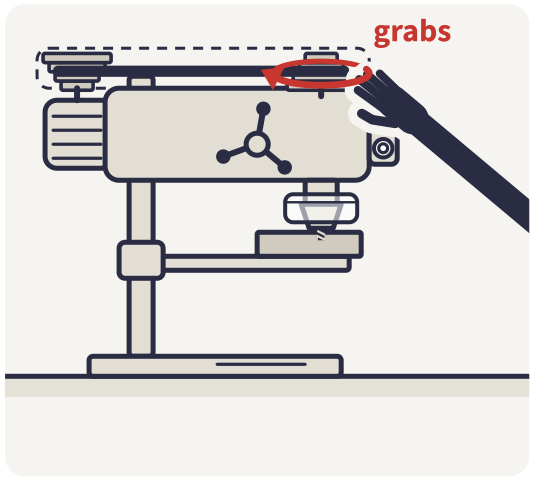
Moving machine parts

A rotating part can catch a finger, glove, clothing or hair. **A worker tripped in front of a saw bench and fell. The rotating saw blade, which was poorly guarded, cut off part of their foot.**

Possible consequences

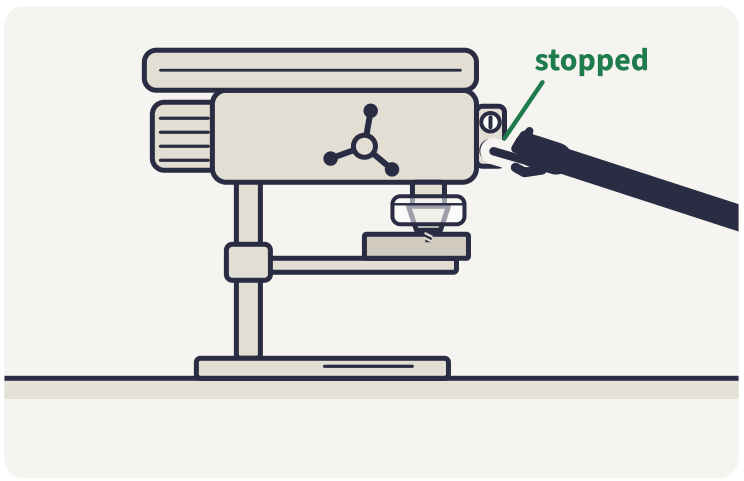
- Finger amputation
- Crushing
- Cut injury
- Eye injury
- Serious injury or death

MACHINE ON
No guard



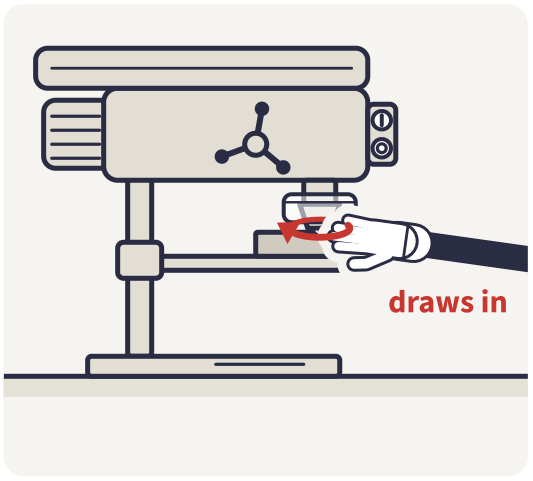
- Belt drive is unguarded
- Hand is near moving parts
- Belt can draw in a finger

GUARDS ON
Stopped



- Machine is switched off
- Guards are in place
- Hand clear of danger zone

MACHINE ON
Gloved



- Hand moves workpiece near drill
- Glove can get caught
- Drill can pull in a finger

Access to moving parts must be prevented by a guard or protective device, which must not be disconnected, altered or removed without authorisation.

DO

- **Before starting, check that guards are in place.**
- **Stop the machine before cleaning or adjusting.**
- **Make sure moving parts have stopped.**
- **Unplug the machine for maintenance.**
- **Refit the belt guard after changing speed.**
- **Keep the emergency stop area clear.**
- **Guard damaged or missing? Tell your manager.**
- **Only use the machine after instruction.**

DON'T

- **Don't remove or modify safety devices**
  Without them, your hand can reach moving parts.
- **Don't bypass the guard interlock**
  Then opening it won't stop the machine.
- **Don't leave the key in the chuck**
  The key can fly out at start-up.
- **Don't wear gloves near rotating parts**
  A glove can get caught and pull a finger in.
- **Don't work with jewellery, loose clothing or untied hair**
  They can get caught in moving parts.
- **Don't move the workpiece while drilling**
  Your hand may get too close to the drill.
- **Don't start if anyone is in the danger zone**
  They could be hurt at start-up.

REMEMBER

Guard on. Machine off. Hands clear.

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