

# SAFETY REMINDER

## Powered Hand Tools

### ELECTRIC HAND TOOLS

- Ensure tools are double insulated or grounded.
- Keep all guards in place and functioning.
- Use only for designated purpose.
- Maintain control switches in operating condition.
- Arrange electrical cords to prevent tripping hazards.
- Use only the correct accessories (saw blades, grinding wheels).
- Disconnect power source before changing accessories.

### POWDER- ACTUATED TOOLS

- Ensure operators are trained and competent in tool use.
- Store tool and cartridges in storage case.
- Inspect tool before using.
- Use only cartridges and fasteners designed for tool.
- Select correct cartridges for task.
- Ensure proper eye protection is used.
- Tool must have two separate ring-actions: pulling trigger and pressing the tool against the surface.
- Do not fire a fastener through an existing hole.
- Do not fire a fastener into unusually hard or brittle surfaces.
- Do not fire into a steel surface with incorrect fastener.
- Do not fire within proximity of other workers.
- Do not point the tool at anyone.

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