JOB SAFETY ANALYSIS

Safety Information for the University of California, Berkeley

DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING OPERATING A VERTICAL BAND SAW

	TASK	HAZARDS	Controls
1.	Assess work area; is it clear of obstructions and slip/trip/fall hazards?	Slip, trip, or fall	Clear work area of any obstructions or slip/trip/fall hazards
2.	Align materials flat on the table	 Pinching hazards for hands/fingers Lacerations to hands/fingers from material Muscle strain 	 Keep hands and fingers away from pinch points Deburr material prior to handling, wear gloves only when loading/unloading material Position body to maintain balance, avoid twisting and overextending, and ask for assistance with heavy or awkward workpieces
3.	Adjust and position blade guard to no more than ¼" above the top surface of the material	Pinching hazards to hands/fingers	Avoid pinch point between guard and housing and between guard and material
4.	Begin sawing	 Lacerations to hands/fingers from moving blade Eye injury from flying debris Excessive noise levels Burns from overheated materials Entanglement of operator 	 Keep hands/fingers well away from moving blade, use push stick/miter gauge/vise for small materials Always wear safety glasses when operating machine Wear hearing protection if necessary Use wax to lubricate the blade and reduce friction Never wear loose clothing when operating, tie hair back, tuck in drawstrings

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	Required Training:	Required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	
	Student Shop Safety Training Program (Phase 1)	Leather gloves, safety glasses, ear plugs/muffs	
Other Information:	DoAll ML-3801 V. Band Saw Manual, DoAll V-26 V. Band Saw Manual, Delta 28-365 V. Band Saw Manual, Delta 28-207 Band Saw Manual		
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