

# SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURE Electric Carving Knife



Manual

**Technical Ticket** 

**Do not** use this equipment unless a Technical Officer has instructed you in its safe use and operation and has given you permission.



 $\ensuremath{\textbf{FALLING}}\xspace$  HAZARDS - Enclosed footwear with substantial uppers must be worn

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**Catching Hazards-** Close fitting or protective clothing should be worn. Long hair should be tied back

This Electric knife - for cutting sponge foam rubber only. Do not attempt to cut any other materials. DO NOT use faulty equipment – report faults immediately via a Technical Ticket.

### **PRE-OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS**

- 1. Ensure you have a suitable safe work area with no slip or trip hazards.
- 2. Examine the tool and electrical lead for any obvious damage.
- 3. Ensure the work area is dry and the electrical cord is not laying across any walkways.
- 4. Locate and ensure you are familiar with the operation of the on/off slide switch.

### **OPERATIONAL SAFETY**

- 1. Ensure the work bench is stable and protected from the knife blade with a cutting mat if required.
- 2. Insert the blades into the knife before plugging in and turning the power on.
- 3. If blades are to be changed, always turn off power and unplug the lead from the power source.
- 4. Grip the knife handle firmly and bring the blade close to the job before starting the cutting action with the slide switch.
- 5. Guide the knife along the cutting line without forcing the blade through the job.
- 6. Keep hands well away from the cutting area.

### PACKDOWN PROCEDURE

- 1. Ensure you turn off all electrical equipment.
- 2. Return all equipment to its rightful place.
- 3. Place waste into correct bins.
- 4. Leave the work area clean and tidy.

## **POTENTIAL HAZARDS**

Electricity

Cuts

# FORBIDDEN - DO NOT operate this equipment under the influence of alcohol.

This SOP (STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE) does not necessarily cover all hazards associated with the machine / tool and should be used in conjunction with other references.

It is designed to be used as an adjunct to teach Safety Procedures and to act as a reminder to users prior to the machine / tool use.

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 Relevant: Legislation/Guidelines/Standards
 WHS Act 2011, WHS Regulations 2011.

 <u>https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/</u>