

CHAINSAW

Petrol Powered

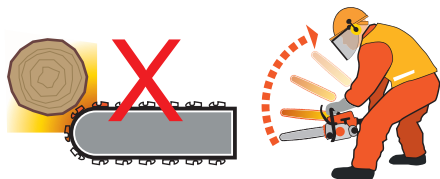


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1 ALWAYS USE COMMON SENSE

This Equipment Safety Data Sheet is intended as a guide only for the safe operation of this chainsaw. It does not override Worksafe recommendations or the manufacturers recommendations or any other industry requirements. This sheet is not a substitute for an instructional lesson from a competent teacher. If you are unsure about any aspect of this equipment or its capabilities or its suitability, or if you are in doubt as to its proper usage you must contact one of the Hire Centre Employees or an industry expert before continuing.

4 IMPORTANT HAZARDS



- Operating a chainsaw incorrectly may result in serious injuries. Always use proper operating techniques to reduce the risk of kickbacks.



- RISK OF AMPUTATION!** Never place hands or feet anywhere near the chain!
- If a blockage occurs, turn off the engine, wait for the chain to come to a complete stop and remove the spark plug lead before clearing obstructions. Chain may cut, even when stationary.

! DANGER!

- Never remove or tamper with safety features of this chainsaw. If any of the safety features have been tampered with, do not use this machine.
- Risk of entrapment: never wear loose fitting clothes or jewellery. Tie back long hair.
- Take care when operating in wet or slippery conditions. Cutting rocks, dirt or hard material may jam the chainsaw and blunt the chain.
- Exposure to loud noise will lead to long term hearing loss. Always wear Class V hearing protection
- Fuel is highly flammable. Turn off the engine when refuelling or when not in use. Guard against spilling fuel on hot surfaces.
- Exhaust gases are poisonous. Never run the chainsaw in confined places.
- FATIGUE WARNING:** Do not operate continuously for long periods. Operating a chainsaw can be physically demanding. Stop if you are feeling tired. Consult vibration information if using for extended periods. Never operate this equipment if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, medications or any substance capable of impairment. Always shut off motor when not in use. Minimum age 18 years.

2 PLANNING FOR SAFETY

If you are collecting this equipment for someone else please make sure this sheet is given to the equipment user to read. This sheet should be given to the site supervisor if the equipment is being hired for commercial use so that the information is available to all users.

- **Before starting, take time to plan and identify the job hazards. Always conduct a pre-start risk assessment.**
- **Inspect the work site and surroundings. Only work from a secure platform that will not be hit by falling debris.**
- **Think through the steps.**
- **Identify all potential hazards and assess the risks.**
- **Determine the necessary control measures.**
- **Ensure you are adequately trained for the task.**
- **Communicate to everyone.**

3 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT



HEARING PROTECTION CLASS V



EYE & FACE PROTECTION



PROTECTIVE GLOVES



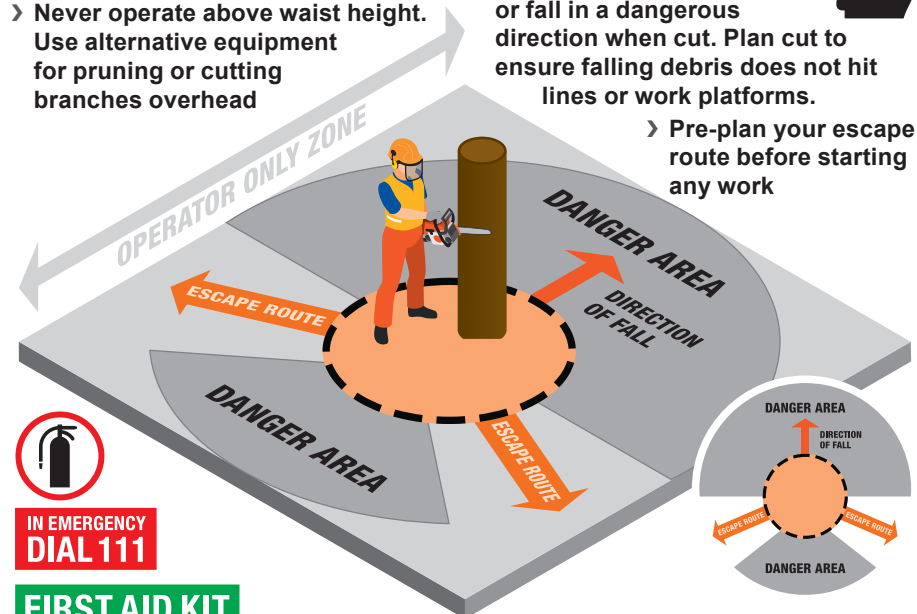
PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR



LEATHER CHAPS

5 WORK SITE PRECAUTIONS

- **Never drop start the chainsaw. Always start on the ground to avoid losing control.**
- **Never operate above waist height. Use alternative equipment for pruning or cutting branches overhead**
- **Identify overhead services, such as power lines. Be aware trees may 'spring' or fall in a dangerous direction when cut. Plan cut to ensure falling debris does not hit lines or work platforms.**
- **Pre-plan your escape route before starting any work**



IN EMERGENCY DIAL 111

FIRST AID KIT

Before commencing work ensure you have a First Aid Kit and Fire Extinguisher readily available, and that you can call 111 in an emergency.

This information is offered as a summary only. **You must refer to the Owners manual or "A Guide to Safety with Chainsaws"** <http://bit.ly/HIANZChnsws>