General Safety for All Portable Power Tools

- 1. Wear industrial quality eye protection when using portable power tools.
- 2. Wear hearing protection, ear plugs or ear muffs, when using portable power tools.
- 3. Avoid loose fitting clothes when using construction portable power tools.
- 4. Do not use portable power tools which have cords that are cut, frayed, or separated from the tool housing. Such cords should be repaired before continued use.
- 5. Keep tools and equipment well maintained, i.e. blades sharp, cords well maintained, guards in good working order, etc.
- 6. On all metal portable power tools make sure that a 3-pronged grounding type plug is always used.
- 7. When working outside always use a "Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter" (GFCI) type extension cord.
- 8. Don not put extension cords around your or shoulders when using portable power tools.
- 9. Make sure that long extension cords are sufficiently large in size to carry the current (amps) necessary for the tools being used. Sufficiently large wire size in cords will help avoid large voltage drop and tool burn-out.
- 10. Be sure to read and become familiar with the manufacturer's recommended operating procedures and safety before using any portable power tool.