

HAZARD EVALUATION AND CONTROL

Description of Plant: Floor Saw - Petrol

Model No: FP41

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| A - ENTANGLEMENT 1 Can anyone's hair, clothing, gloves necktie, jewellery, cleaning brushes, rags, or other materials become entangled with moving parts of the plant, or materials in motion? | Y | Entanglement with diamond saw blade/V-belt while rotating | 5 | C | * Do not operate the machine unless all protective guards are in place. * Keep hands and feet clear of rotating and moving parts as they will cause injury if contacted. * Ensure that the motor operation switch is in the off position and the spark plug ignition lead is disconnected before removing guards or making adjustments. * Wear snug fitting clothing and ensure no clothing, hair or jewellery can become entangled in the machine. |
| B - CRUSHING | | | | | |
| 1. Can anyone be crushed due to:- | | | | | |
| a. Material falling off the plant? | N | | | | |
| b. Uncontrolled or unexpected movement of the plant or its load? | N | | | | |
| c. Lack of capacity for the plant to be slowed, stopped or immobilised? | N | | | | |
| d. The plant tipping or rolling over? | Y | In use on an incline | 4 | D | * Ensure both the machine and the operator are stable by setting up on level terrain and the machine will not tip over, slide or fall while in operation or unattended. |
| e. Parts of the plant collapsing? | N | | | | |
| f. Coming in contact with moving parts of the plant during testing, inspection, operation, maintenance, cleaning or repair? | Y | Drawing in between rotating pulley and moving V-belt | 5 | C | * Do not operate the machine unless all protective guards are in place. * Keep hands and feet clear of rotating and moving parts as they will cause injury if contacted. * Ensure that the motor operation switch is in the off position and the spark plug ignition lead is disconnected before removing guards or making adjustments. |
| g. Being thrown off or under the plant? | N | | | | |

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1. Expected to Happen
2. Common
3. Sometimes
4. Rarely
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| h. Being trapped between the plant and material or fixed structures? | N | | | | |
| i. Other factors not mentioned? | N | | | | |
| C. CUTTING, STABBING & PUNCTURING? | | | | | |
| 1. Can anyone be cut, stabbed or punctured due to: | | | | | |
| a. Coming in contact with sharp or flying objects? | Y | Ejection of parts or material | 4 | D | * Do not operate the machine unless all protective guards are in place. * Protective dust mask, goggles, clothing and footwear may also be necessary. |
| b. Coming in contact with moving parts of the plant during testing, inspection, operation, maintenance, cleaning or repair of the plant? | Y | Contact with diamond saw blade/V-belt while rotating | 5 | C | * Do not operate the machine unless all protective guards are in place. * Keep hands and feet clear of rotating and moving parts as they will cause injury if contacted. * Ensure that the motor operation switch is in the off position and the spark plug ignition lead is disconnected before removing the guards or making adjustments. * Do not leave the machine in operation while it is unattended. |
| c. The plant, parts of the plant or work pieces disintegrating? | Y | Disintegration of diamond segments | 4 | D | * Do not operate the machine unless all protective guards are in place. * Do not increase the governed no-load motor speed above 3,500 r/min. Any increase may result in personal injury and damage to the machine or blade. * Only use a diamond impregnated saw blade. Never use abrasive or woodworking blades. |
| d. Work pieces being ejected? | Y | Ejection of material | 4 | D | * Do not operate the machine unless all protective guards are in place. * Protective dust mask, goggles, clothing and footwear may also be necessary. |
| e. The mobility of the plant? | N | | | | |

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| f. Uncontrolled or unexpected movement of the plant? | Y | Plant moving while unattended | 4 | D | * Ensure both the machine and the operator are stable by setting up on level terrain and the machine will not tip over, slide or fall while in operation or unattended. * Do not leave the machine in operation while it is unattended. |
| g. Other factors not mentioned? | N | | | | |
| D. SHEARING 1. Can anyone's body parts be sheared between two parts of the plant, or material handled by the plant? | N | | | | |
| E. FRICTION 1. Can anyone be burnt due to contact with moving parts or surfaces of the plant, or between a part of the plant and a work piece or structure? | Y | Contact between stationary object and moving belt or diamond blade | 5 | C | * Do not operate the machine unless all protective guards are in place. * Keep hands and feet clear of rotating and moving parts as they will cause injury if contacted. * Ensure that the motor operation switch is in the off position and the spark plug ignition lead is disconnected before removing guards or making adjustments. |
| F. STRIKING 1. Can anyone be struck by moving objects due to : | | | | | |
| a. Uncontrolled or unexpected movement of the plant? | Y | Plant moving while unattended | 4 | D | * Ensure both the machine and the operator are stable by setting up on level terrain and the machine will not tip over, slide or fall while in operation or unattended. * Do not leave the machine in operation while it is unattended. |
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| G. HIGH PRESSURE SUBSTANCES 1. Can anyone come into contact with substances under high pressure, due to plant failure or misuse of the plant? | N | | | | |
| H. ELECTRICAL 1. Can anyone be injured by electrical shock or burnt due to: | | | | | |
| a. The plant contacting live electrical conductors? | Y | Blade contact with electrical conductors | 4 | D | * Ensure that the material to be cut does not contain any "live" electrical cables, gas or water services. |
| b. The plant working in close proximity to electrical conductors? | N | | | | |
| c. Overload of electrical circuits? | N | | | | |
| d. Damaged or poorly maintained electrical leads and cables? | N | | | | |
| e. Damaged electrical switches? | N | | | | |
| f. Water near electrical equipment? g. Lack of isolation procedures? | N | | | | |
| h. Other factors not mentioned? | N | | | | |
| I. EXPLOSION 1. Can anyone be injured by explosion of gases, vapours, liquids, dusts or other substances, triggered by the operation of the plant or by material handled by the plant? | Y | Petrol vapour | 5 | B | * Petrol is extremely flammable and explosive under certain conditions. * Ensure that petrol is only stored in an approved storage container. * Do not refuel the motor while it is in operation or hot. * Do not refuel the motor in the vicinity of sparks, a naked flame or a person smoking. * Do not over fill the fuel tank and avoid spilling petrol when refuelling. Spilled petrol or petrol vapour may ignite. If spillage occurs, ensure that the area is dry before starting the motor. * Ensure that the fuel tank cap is securely fitted after refuelling. |

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| J. SLIPPING, TRIPPING & FALLING | | | | | |
| 1. Can anyone using the plant, or in the vicinity of the plant, slip, trip or fall due to: | | | | | |
| a. Uneven or slippery work surfaces? | Y | Slip/Trip/Fall | 3 | E | * Slip/Trip/Fall is a major cause of serious injury or death. Beware of excess hose and water left on the walking or work surface. |
| b. Poor housekeeping, eg, swarf in the vicinity of the plant, spillage not Cleaned up? | N | | | | |
| c. Obstacles being placed in the vicinity of the plant, other factors not mentioned? | N | | | | |
| 2. Can anyone fall from a height due to: | | | | | |
| a. Lack of proper work platform? | N | | | | |
| b. Lack of proper stairs or ladders? | N | | | | |
| c. Lack of guardrails or other suitable edge protection? | N | | | | |
| d. Unprotected holes, penetrations or gaps? | N | | | | |
| e. Poor floor or walking surfaces, such as the lack of a slip-resistant surface? | N | | | | |
| f. Steep walking surfaces? | N | | | | |
| g. Collapse of the supporting structure? | N | | | | |
| h. Other factors not mentioned? | N | | | | |
| K. ERGONOMIC | | | | | |
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| a. Poorly designated seating? | N | | | | |
| b. Repetitive body movement? | N | | | | |
| c. Constrained body posture or the need for excessive effort? | Y | Incorrect lifting of unit | 3 | C | * Floor saws are heavy units and should be positioned by two people of appropriate strength. Using correct lifting techniques. |
| d. Inadequate or poorly placed lighting? | N | | | | |
| e. Lack of consideration given to human error or human behaviour? | N | | | | |
| f. Mismatch of the plant with human traits and natural limitations? | N | | | | |
| g. Other factors not mentioned? | N | | | | |
| L. SUFFOCATION 1. Can anyone be suffocated due to lack of oxygen, or atmospheric contamination? | Y | Motor exhaust fumes | 4 | A | Warning label on motor * Do not operate or refuel a petrol or diesel motor in a confined area without adequate ventilation. * Carbon Monoxide exhaust gases from internal combustion motor driven units can cause poisoning in confined spaces. |
| M. HIGH TEMPERATURE OR FIRE 1. Can anyone come into contact with objects at high temperature? | Y | Motor muffler | 3 | E | Muffler guard marked 'Hot' - Honda motor * Be careful not to come in contact with the muffler when the engine is hot, since it can cause severe burns. |
| N. TEMPERATURE (THERMAL COMFORT) 1. Can anyone suffer ill health due to exposure to high or low temperatures? | N | | | | |
| O. OTHER HAZARDS | | | | | |
| 1. Can anyone be injured or suffer ill health from exposure to: | | | | | |
| a. Chemicals? | N | | | | |
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| b. Toxic gases or vapours? | Y | Motor exhaust fumes | 4 | A | Warning label on motor * Do not operate or refuel a petrol or diesel motor in a confined area without adequate ventilation. * Carbon Monoxide exhaust gases from internal combustion motor driven units can cause poisoning in confined spaces. |
| c. Fumes? | Y | Motor exhaust fumes | 4 | A | Warning label on motor * Do not operate or refuel a petrol or diesel motor in a confined area without adequate ventilation. * Carbon Monoxide exhaust gases from internal combustion motor driven units can cause poisoning in confined spaces. |
| d. Dust? | | | | | |
| e. Noise? | Y | Diamond blade and motor operation | 2 | B | * Excessive noise can lead to temporary or permanent loss of hearing. * Wear an approved hearing protection device to limit noise exposure. As required by Occupational Health and Safety regulations. Noise levels in excess of 85dB(A) may be produced by diamond cutting blades. |
| f. Vibration? | N | | | | |
| g. Radiation | N | | | | |
| h. Other factors not mentioned? | Y | Fire, petrol vapour | 4 | C | * Petrol is extremely flammable and explosive under certain conditions. * Ensure that petrol is only stored in an approved storage container. * Do not refuel the motor while it is in operation or hot. * Do not refuel the motor in the vicinity of sparks, a naked flame or a person smoking. * Do not over fill the fuel tank and avoid spilling petrol when refuelling. Spilled petrol or petrol vapour may ignite. If spillage occurs, ensure that the area is dry before starting the motor. * Ensure that the fuel tank cap is securely fitted after refuelling. |

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