

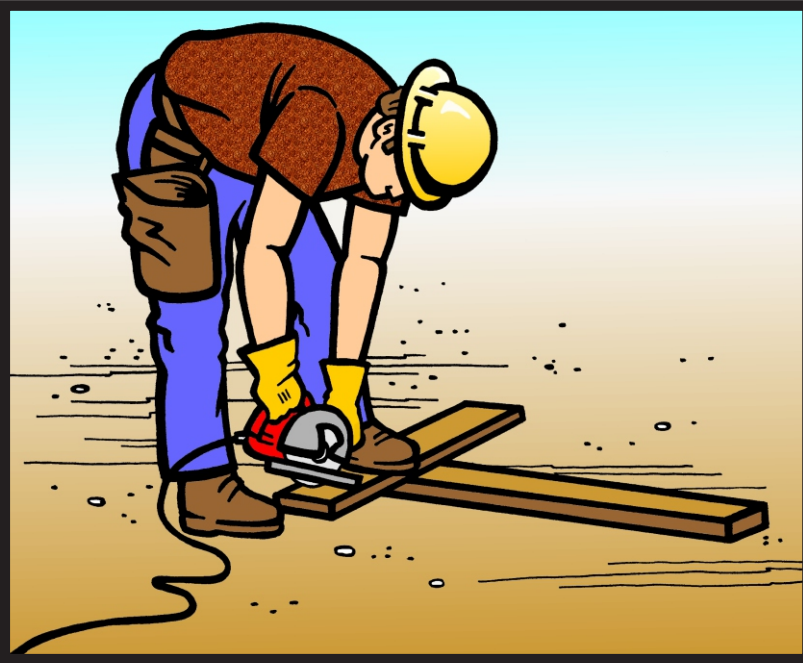


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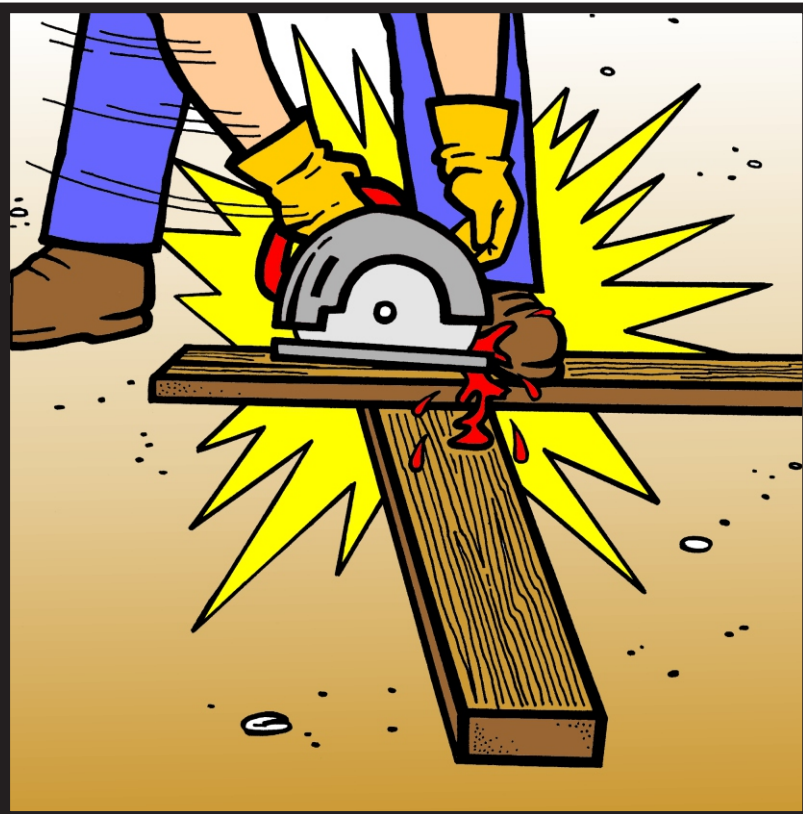
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DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

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SAFETY RECOMMENDATION:

Upon investigation of the accident it was determined that the major factor that contributed to the incident was the improper way the 2x4 was being cut. It should have been placed on a saw horse or on a cutting table, then secured by holding it tightly with the worker's hand completely out of the way or secured by clamps. This accident could have been prevented had the worker followed the safe operating rule of securing the work piece. Instead, he took the fast easy way and paid the consequence.

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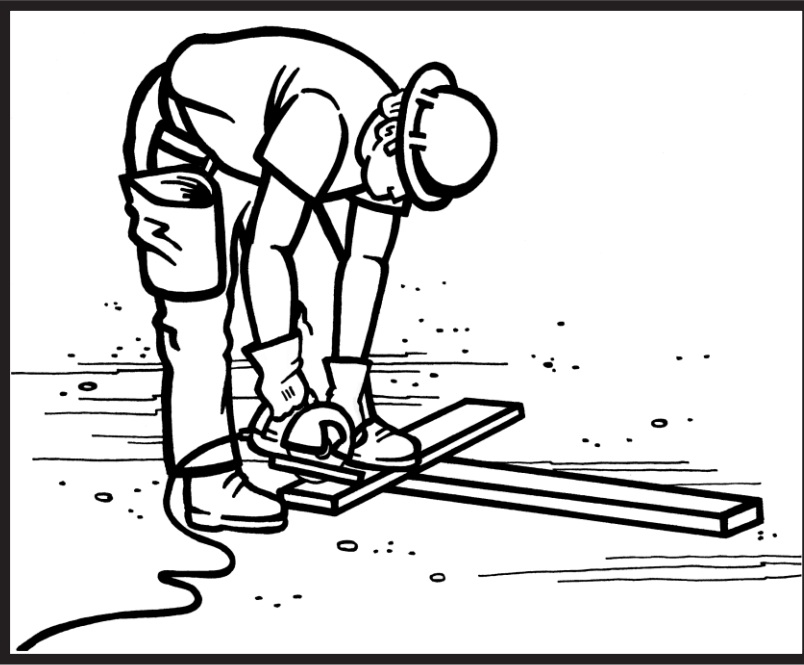
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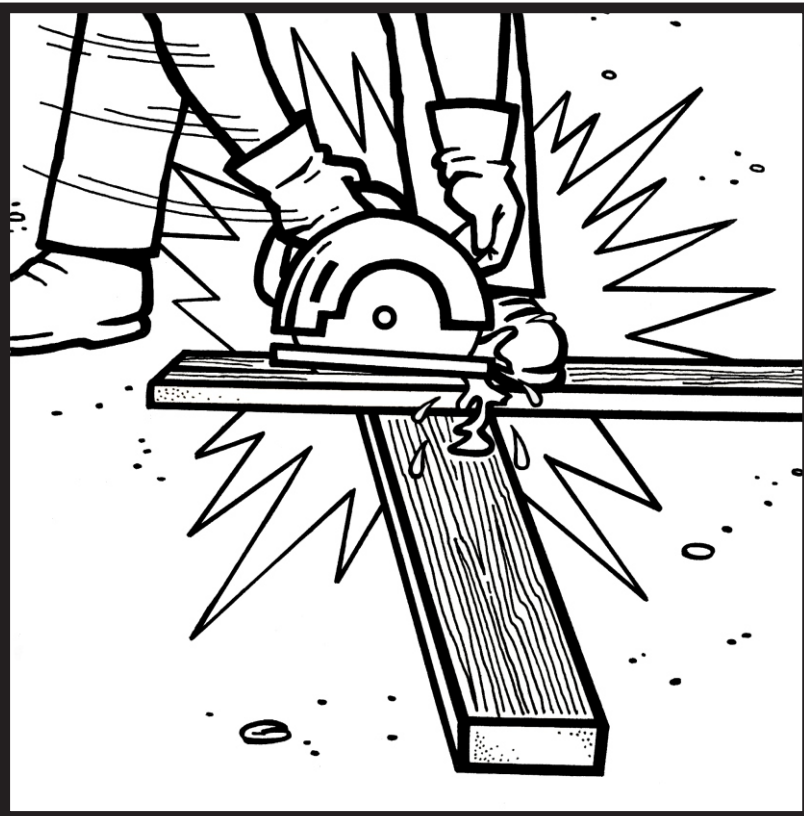
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