



The Hearth Workshop

ADDITIONAL SAFETY INFORMATION

MAKITA JS1018 SLIDING COMPOUND MITRE SAW

**ALL USERS MUST READ THESE SAFETY RULES BEFORE EACH USE OF THIS PIECE OF EQUIPMENT
FAILURE TO DO SO CAN LEAD TO SERIOUS INJURY TO YOU OR OTHERS**

DO NOT let comfort or familiarity with this saw (gained from repeated use) replace strict adherence to slide compound saw safety rules. If you use this tool unsafely or incorrectly, you can suffer serious personal injury. You will also have your usage rights to this saw revoked pending additional training which you will be charged for.

At all times:

1. Wear eye protection.
2. Keep hands out of path of saw blade. Avoid contact with any coasting blade. It can still cause severe injury.
3. Do not operate saw without guards in place. Check blade guard for proper closing before each use. Do not operate saw if blade guard does not move freely and close instantly. Never clamp or tie the blade guard into the open position.
4. Do not perform any operation freehand. The workpiece must be secured firmly against the turn base and guide fence with a clamp during all operations. Never use your hand to secure the workpiece.
5. Never reach around saw blade. Table 1: Minimum gage for cord Not More Than 6101216Volts Total length of cord in feet 120 V25 ft. 18181614
6. Turn off tool and wait for saw blade to stop before moving workpiece or changing settings.
7. Unplug tool before changing blade or servicing.
8. To reduce the risk of injury, return carriage to the full rear position after each crosscut operation.
9. Always secure all moving portions before carrying the tool.
10. Stopper pin which locks the cutter head down is for carrying and storage purposes only and not for any cutting operations.
11. Do not use the tool in the presence of flammable liquids or gases.
12. Check the blade carefully for cracks or damage before use. Replace a cracked or damaged blade immediately. Gum and wood pitch hardened on blades slows saw and increases potential for kickback. Keep blade clean by first removing it from tool, then cleaning it with gum and pitch remover, hot water or kerosene. Never use gasoline to clean blade.
13. While making a slide cut, KICKBACK can occur. KICKBACK occurs when the blade binds in the workpiece during a cutting operation and the saw blade is driven back rapidly towards the operator. Loss of control and serious personal injury can result. If blade begins to bind during a cutting operation, do not continue to cut and release switch immediately.
14. Use only flanges specified for this tool.
15. Be careful not to damage the arbor, flanges (especially the installing surface) or bolt. Damage to these parts could result in blade breakage.
16. Make sure that the turn base is properly secured so it will not move during operation. Use the holes in the base to fasten the saw to a stable work platform or bench. NEVER use tool where operator positioning would be awkward.
17. For your safety, remove the chips, small pieces, etc. from the table top before operation.
18. Avoid cutting nails. Inspect for and remove all nails from the workpiece before operation.
19. Make sure the shaft lock is released before the switch is turned on.
20. Be sure that the blade does not contact the turn base in the lowest position.
21. Hold the handle firmly. Be aware that the saw moves up or down slightly during start-up and stopping. Make sure the blade is not contacting the workpiece before the switch is turned on.
22. Before using the tool on an actual work-piece, let it run for a while. Watch for vibration or wobbling that could indicate poor installation or a poorly balanced blade.
23. Wait until the blade attains full speed before cutting.
24. Stop operation immediately if you notice anything abnormal.
25. Do not attempt to lock the trigger in the on position.
26. Be alert at all times, especially during repetitive, monotonous operations. Do not be lulled into a false sense of security. Blades are extremely unforgiving.
27. Always use accessories recommended in this manual. Use of improper accessories such as abrasive wheels may cause an injury.
28. NEVER hold workpiece on right side of blade with left hand or clamp versa. This is called cross-armed cutting and exposes user to risk of SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY as shown in the figure. ALWAYS use clamp to secure workpiece.
29. Do not abuse cord. Never yank cord to disconnect it from the receptacle. Keep cord away from heat, oil, water and sharp objects.
30. NEVER stack workpieces on the table top to speed cutting operations. Cut only one piece at a time.