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Job Safety Analysis

Safety Information for The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

HAND HELD PRUNER




Title	Work Task	Hazards	Controls
Preplan the work	Gather and inspect necessary PPE (Gloves, Safety Glasses, Safety Shoes) Gather pruner and inspect the tool to ensure it is safe and ready to use Replace blades if needed	Improper PPE/Tool inspection Cut/Puncture/Scrape Hazard	Wear proper hand protection (gloves) during the initial inspection of the pruner and any subsequent work on the pruner (blade replacement)
	Don PPE	Improper Donning	Ensure PPE is donned correctly and employee wears PPE throughout job process

Pruning	Employee prunes shrubs and small trees.	Flying Debris Hazard Cut/Puncture/Scrape Hazard	Eye protection and hand protection should be worn. When using the handheld pruner, be aware of where you are about to make the cut on the branch of a tree or shrub. Make sure your hand and fingers are away from the pruner before making a cut.
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Clean Up	Lock out the handheld pruner after use Store pruner and PPE properly	Cut/Puncture/Scrape Hazard Improper Storage	Gloves must be worn when locking out the handheld pruner Have a standard location for tools and PPE to be stored. Ensure that is cool and dry for proper PPE storage
Training	Employees must have hands on training in the proper use of this piece of equipment.	Supervisor is to fill out 'Supervisor Led Training Form' to UNC-CH Environment, Health and Safety and turn in the form for documentation of proper training.	
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Referenced Material	Refer to Manufacturers Owner's Manual for more information.		

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