

MRG-CF-	MS – Toolbox Meeting Records					
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Toolbox Talk No: 278							
Issue:	Safe Use of Tools on Site						
Location:	Via SMS Text Message, MRG Employee Portal	Date:	04/09/2025				
Briefed by:	Via SMS and Portal	Time:	Various				

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Why Safe Tool Use Matters

Tools are essential to our work, but misuse or neglect can lead to:

- Serious injuries such as cuts, eye injuries, or crush injuries
- Damage to property or equipment
- Reduced productivity and delays
- Disciplinary action if company tools are mistreated

General Rules for Tool Use

- Only use tools for their intended purpose
- Inspect tools **before every use** for damage, wear, or defects
- Report and tag out any faulty or unsafe tool immediately
- Never modify or bypass safety features
- Use the **correct PPE** (gloves, eye protection, hearing protection where required)
- Keep tools clean and return them to the **designated storage area** after use

Power Tools

- Ensure RCD protection is in place before plugging in
- Keep cords and hoses tidy to prevent trip hazards
- Disconnect tools before changing blades, discs, or attachments
- Use battery-powered tools safely store batteries properly and avoid damage
- Never use power tools in wet conditions unless rated for that environment

Hand Tools

- Use the **correct size and type** of tool (e.g., correct spanner or screwdriver)
- Keep cutting edges sharp and in good condition
- Do not use damaged tools (split hammer handles, bent screwdrivers, etc.)
- Store hand tools properly do not leave them lying around walkways or work platforms

Responsibility for Tools

- Tools provided by MRG are company property treat them with respect
- Workers are responsible for the care, proper use, and return of tools issued to them
- Misuse, loss, or damage through negligence may result in disciplinary action

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• Report lost or stolen tools immediately to your supervisor

Your Responsibility as a Worker

- Use tools safely, responsibly, and only if trained/competent
- Keep tools maintained and request replacements when needed
- Never take shortcuts unsafe use of tools endangers everyone
- Always follow site **SWMS and toolbox instructions** for tool-related tasks
- Lead by example promote safe tool use to your team

If you are unsure what to do following an incident, please contact:
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