

PPE Required: Safety Glasses, Face Shield

Prohibited Clothing: gloves, loose clothing, neckties, jewelry

Machine Access Level: Supervised Only

Materials Allowed: Wood only

Note: For all other materials see the AFL supervisor!

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Wood Lathe

Operating Procedure

1. Machine Safety Inspection and Work Area Check-Out

- A. **PPE:** Make sure you are wearing the proper PPE and not wearing any equipment listed on the first page that could create a hazard.
- B. **Machine Warning Signs:** Make sure you read and follow the machine warning signs that are attached to the machine. If you have any questions, ASK!!
- C. Work Area: Make sure the area is clean and free and clear of debris and personnel.

2. Work Supervision

A. This machine requires supervision by an AFL employee. A Supervisor or TA will assist you in the set-up and operation of the machine. You may not operate this machine without supervision.

3. Machine Adjustment

- A. **Note:** The machine adjustment is usually done with the machine ON.
- B. **Select tools:** Select the correct tools for the application. The TA will help you choose the tools for your specific project.
- C. **Secure the part:** There are various ways to hold the part in the machine safely. Consult with the TA about the best option for your project.
- D. Adjust speeds: Adjust the speeds for the material and tool that you are using. The TA will assist you with this step.
- E. **Identify the machine controls:** Identify the RED EMERGENCY STOP BUTTON; this will stop the machine in case of an emergency. Identify the POWER SWITCH, this will start the machine.

4. Machine Operation

- A. **Choose the machining method:** You can only manually run the part on this machine. The TA will assist you with this step.
- B. Set up and operation: The TA will assist you with setting up and operating the machine.
- C. Safely run the part: Run the part. The TA will assist you with this step.
- D. **Stop the machine:** When finished, push the red stop button to stop the machine. Let all moving parts come to a stop before reaching into the machine. Never touch a moving tool, or spindle!
- E. Remove the part: Once the machine is stopped, you may check or remove your finished part. Do not touch the material chips they may be sharp and/or hot.

5. Clean Up

- A. **Disassemble work set-up:** Disassemble any fixturing used in the operation. Return all parts to their proper location and the appearance of the machine to how it looked when you started.
- B. Clean up the area: Clean up all messes, including cleaning the area surrounding the lathe with a broom and brush, sweeping the surrounding area, and returning all tools, etc. The TA will check that the area is clean before you can sign-out of the AFL.

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