SHARPS SAFETY

Knives and other cutting tools, such as chisels and Exacto knives, are extremely useful, but can cause injuries when used improperly, blades become dull or brittle, or the wrong tool is used for the task.

Why do they injure ?

- Blunt blades, which require more force to cut
- Blades opened too far
- Cutting towards ones fingers, hand or body
- Not retracting blades or covering with a cap
- Protective equipment not used

How to protect yourself ?

- Use safety gloves & protective eyewear when cutting
- Use a cutting board or stable surface where possible
- Always cut away from your body
- Always store knives with protective cover in place or blade retracted
- Never carry or transport an open blade
- Only use a sharp blade
- Always dispose of blades in sharps cantainers located in the workshops

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