BAND SAW SAFETY RULES

1) Eye protection must be worn while operating the Band Saw.

2) Complete attention must be directed toward work being done.

3) Position hands on the wood being cut so they are NOT IN FRONT of the

 blade.

4) Fingers should never be closer to the blade than 2 inches (50 mm).

5) NEVER clear the table of scrap wood with your hands, use a piece of scrap wood.

6) Adjust the top blade guide approximately ¼ inch (6mm) above the wood

 to be cut BEFORE starting the saw.

7) Lower the top blade guide close to the table when finished, after the blade

 has stopped.

8) Cutting DOWELING can be dangerous on the Band Saw because it may spin

 when it comes in contact with the blade. Special set-ups are required from

 this operation.

9) Make sure the blade has come to a FULL STOP before LEAVING the

 Band Saw. If the Band Saw has a break, use it to stop the blade.

10) Occasionally, the Band Saw blade will break while the machine is

 operating. If this should occur, shut the machine off and notify the

 instructor immediately.

11) Avoid standing to the LEFT of the machine while it is operating. If the blade

 should break, injury may occur.

12) Match radius cut with the proper size blade to minimize blade breakage.

13) Before backing out of a cut, turn the power off. This practice should be

 AVOIDED as much as possible.

14) Use RELIEF CUTS when cutting curved or irregular shapes.

15) Ask permission of the instructor before using the Band Saw.