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Task Hazard Assessment Form

Task Name	Operating Bench Grinder
Department	Facilities - Maintenance Trades
Supervisor	Eugene Tosetti
Work Location	Carpentry Shop
Date of Assessment	01/09/2025

Hazard		Description
Physical Hazards (Check all that apply)	□N/A	Describe any applicable hazards
 ☑ Electrical Hazards ☐ Fall from Heights ☐ Falling Objects ☑ Flying Particles ☑ Noise ☑ Sharp/Abrasive Objects ☑ Struck by Objects ☐ Slippery Surfaces ☑ Sparks/Hot Particles ☐ Temperature Extremes ☐ Vehicular Traffic ☐ Other (Please Describe): 		 Electricity powering bench grinders can cause shocks Grinding can create outward flying particles Grinding wheel surfaces are very abrasive Grinding wheel can cause materials to move suddenly, if not secured Bench grinders cause loud noises when in use Grinding metals can generate sparks and hot particles
Chemical Hazards (Check all that apply) ☐ Air/Water-Sensitive Substances ☐ Flammable Liquids/Vapors ☐ Irritants ☐ Compressed Gases ☐ Corrosive Substances ☐ Radioactive Substances ☐ Toxic Substances ☐ Other (Please Describe):	□N/A	 Describe any applicable hazards Grinding can generate irritating dust Grinding materials containing lead-based paint can cause exposure to lead
Biological Hazards (Check all that apply) Air-borne Pathogens Biological Sharps Blood and Bodily Fluids Mold Sewage Other (Please Describe):	⊠N/A	Describe any applicable hazards

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Controls Methods

Engineering Controls - Physical methods that reduce or prevent workers from coming into contact with hazards

Examples (Not Exhaustive)

- Carts/Dollies
- Emergency Shut-Offs
- Guardrails
- Hoists
- Machine Guards
- Pumps
- Ventilation

Task-Specific Controls

List any engineering controls that are required to complete this task

- > Ensure the shut-off button is present and in good working order
- Ensure the work rest is present and adjusted to 1/8th inch gap
- ► Ensure the tongue guard is present and spaced $\leq 1/4^{th}$ inch from the wheel
- > Ensure the spark shield is present and angled to cover the wheel









Administrative Controls – Work practices that reduce the duration, frequency, or intensity of exposure to hazards

Examples (Not Exhaustive)

- Buddy System
- Communication
- Limiting Access
- Rest Breaks
- Training

List any administrative controls that are required to complete this task

- > Only use the benchtop grinder if you have been trained in safe operation by a competent employee
- ➤ Visually inspect the bench grinder prior to use. If there are signs of damage or missing parts, place the equipment out-of-service.
- Do not operate the bench grinder if you are feeling fatigued/unwell
- Do not cut, drill, or grind anything that may contain hazardous materials (lead, asbestos, PCBs), without consulting WCSU EH&S

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Equipment worn to minimize exposure to hazards

Examples (Not Exhaustive)

- Chemical Aprons
- Cut-Resistant Gloves
- Dust Suits
- Face Shields
- Safety Glasses

List any personal protective equipment that is required to complete this task

- > Safety glasses
- > Ear protection (ear plugs, earmuffs)
- **▶** Work gloves
- Standard work clothing (long pants, work shoes)

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Is a follow-up required?	☐ Yes	⊠No
Reason for follow-up		

Task Hazard Assessment Form Completed By

Name: _____Mark Schuman_____

Signature:

Department: ____Environmental Health and Safety_____

Date: _01/09/2025____