

SAFETY ALERT

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TOOL GUARDING

This is how **not to** use a power saw. The user had removed the guards to use on another saw, but couldn't find the other saw. Seeing as he only needed to make two cuts, he used this piece of equipment.



Do not use equipment without appropriate safety guarding at any time.

It does not matter if you have one or 1000 cuts to make, ensure that the tools are in good working order and with all the guards attached.

This operator can consider himself very lucky that the cut was not worse.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

- Advise all employees under your control of this Safety Alert.
- Place the Safety Alert on display/notice boards.
- Ensure a "sign-off" (for example, a Team Safety Meeting record) is obtained to verify that employees have been briefed on this Safety Alert.