

Non-Powered Hand Tools Hazard Alert

In 2010, 15 percent of all injuries in stone, sand and gravel involved non-powered hand tools, making this classification the third most frequent cause of accidents in this sector. Miners' hands were injured in 37 percent of these accidents.



- When possible, use a holder, instead of your hand, to hold an object
- Gloves help prevent non-powered hand tools, such as hammers, knives and wrenches, slipping from your grip.
- Wear appropriate gloves when conducting repair and maintenance tasks.
- Inspect tools at regular intervals and if needed, repair them as required by the manufacturer.
- When cutting or applying pressure with a hand tool, always keep it away from your body and limbs.
- Use the right tool for the job.



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