

# Safe Operating Procedure

## Jack Hammer



### PERSONAL SAFETY



### PRE OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS

- Ensure work area is safe and well lit with no flammable chemicals in the vicinity;
- Ensure an exclusion zone is set up with barricading and appropriate safety signage;
- Be aware of the location of all underground utilities;
- Inspect the equipment for any obvious mechanical defects;
- Ensure all components, attachments and guards are secure before starting.

### POTENTIAL HAZARDS

- Moving, rotating & sharp parts;
- Pinch & squash;
- Slips, trips & falls;
- Excessive noise;
- Dust & fumes (including crystalline silica);
- Eye injuries;
- Ejected material;
- High pressure air hose couplings;
- Manual handling – including vibration, duration & excessive force
- Loss of control of equipment.

### OPERATIONAL SAFETY PRACTICES (CONTROLS)

- Be aware that this power tool is designed to create severe vibration. The hands, arms and legs will quickly tire. Take regular breaks;
- Always use two hands. Ensure you have a firm footing and are always ready to handle any reaction the tool may make;
- Operators should be prepared to brace themselves against the high level of torque exerted by the tool;
- Apply slight pressure on the tool. Pressing very hard will not increase efficiency. Stop operation if the tool bounces around uncontrollably;
- Do not operate this power tool at no-load unnecessarily;
- To stop, release the handle grip switch. Turn off and disconnect after use;
- Do not operate on a continuous or repetitive basis. Always take regular breaks.

### HOUSEKEEPING

- Leave the power tool in a safe, clean & tidy state,
- Stow away correctly;
- Remove any barricading and safety warning signage.