

Nail Gun Safety

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THE HAZARD

Framing and finish work drive most nail gun injuries, and the trigger type matters more than the training. A contact-trip gun fires whenever the nose is pushed against anything while the trigger is held.

WHAT GOES WRONG

- Contact trip used for repetitive work, with the trigger held down the whole time.
- Free hand holding the piece within a few inches of where the nail goes in.
- Safety contact tip taped, wired or otherwise disabled to speed the job up.
- Gun carried with a finger on the trigger, or set down still connected to air.

CONTROLS: BEFORE YOU START

- Know which trigger type your gun has. Use sequential trip wherever the work allows it.
- Keep the free hand well clear of the firing line, and never hold a piece by hand near the nose.
- Never disable the safety contact. If it is broken, the gun is out of service.
- Disconnect the air before clearing a jam, adjusting depth or leaving the gun unattended.
- Treat every gun as loaded and never point it at anyone, including yourself.

ASK THE CREW

1. Which trigger type is on the guns here, sequential or contact trip?
2. Who has had a nail go somewhere they did not intend?
3. Is any safety contact taped or wired back right now?
4. Where is the free hand when you nail off a small piece?

ATTENDANCE RECORD

Everyone present signs below. This sheet is the record of the talk.

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