

## **Cal OSHA Standards**

### **California Code of Regulations - General Industry Safety Orders**

#### **Woodworking Machines and Equipment - 4300. Circular Ripsaws Manual Feed (Class B)**

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- (a) Each circular hand-fed rip saw shall be guarded by a hood which shall completely enclose that portion of the saw blade above the table and that portion of the blade above the material being cut.
- (b) The hood shall automatically adjust itself to the thickness of and remain in contact with the material being cut at the point where the stock encounters the saw blade, or
- (c) The hood may be a fixed or manually adjusted hood or guard provided the space between the bottom of the guard and the material being cut does not exceed 1/2 inch.
- (d) The hood or other guard shall be so designed as to prevent a "kickback," or a separate attachment that will prevent a "kickback" shall be provided. "Anti-kickback" devices shall be designed to be effective for all thicknesses of material.
- (e) Except when grooving, dadoing or rabbeting, a spreader shall be provided and fastened securely to the saw. It shall be designed and installed in accordance with the Provisions of Section 4296.
- (f) A push stick of suitable design shall be provided and used.

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