



# **SAFETY RULES**

**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS – BEFORE TURNING ON THE LATHE, CHECK THE FOLLOWING:**

- CLOTHING – close fitting and securely fastened
- SAFETY GLASSES/FACE SHIELD
- FOOTWEAR – fully enclosed shoes
- NO UNSECURED LONG HAIR, JEWELLERY, etc
- FOOTING – clear area around lathe, floor not obstructed

## **LATHE SET-UP:**

- CORRECT SPEED – SLOW to start for larger pieces
- WOOD – sound, balanced, firmly secured
- SPINDLE UNLOCKED
- CLEARANCES – toolrest, workpiece
- TOOLREST AT CORRECT HEIGHT
- SECURELY LOCKED toolrest, tailstock, headstock
- LIGHTING – placement
- TOOLS – sharp and at hand on table

## **WHEN WORKING:**

- STAND CLEAR WHEN STARTING LATHE
- WEAR SAFETY GLASSES WHEN OPERATING MACHINES
- WEAR FACESHIELD WHEN LATHE IS TURNING
- STOP LATHE BEFORE ALTERING TOOLREST
- DON'T LEAVE LATHE RUNNING UNATTENDED
- UNUSUAL NOISES – STOP IMMEDIATELY – check workpiece fixing, faults or cracks in timber, clearances
- SANDING – move toolrest well clear. Wet sanding preferred

## **WHEN FINISHED:**

- TURN OFF POWER TO LATHE
- CLEAN UP: lathe, tools, tool table and floor area
- OILY RAGS AND PAPER: remove from room
- RETURN gear to storage

**IF UNSURE ABOUT ANYTHING – ALWAYS ASK!**