



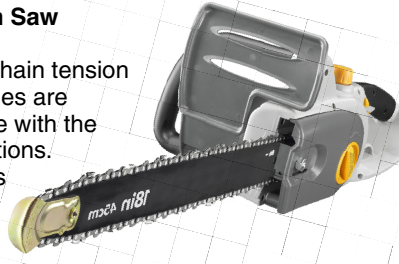
BEC QUICK SAFETY TIPS

Chain Saw Safety Guide

Chain saws can be dangerous by the very nature of their operation. However, injuries can be minimized following the manufacturer's operating procedures and by using proper personal protection.

Before Starting a Chain Saw

- Ensure that controls, chain tension and all bolts and handles are adjusted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Ensure that the chain is sharp and the lubricating reservoir is full.
- Start the saw on the ground or on a firm surface. Drop starting is never allowed.
- Start the engine at least 10 feet from the fueling area with the brake engaged.



Fueling a Chain Saw

- Used only approved containers for transporting fuel for the saw.
- Dispense fuel at least 10 feet from any potential source of ignition.
- Do not fuel a running or hot saw.
- Use a funnel when pouring fuel into the saw.
- Do not smoke during fueling.

Chain Saw Safety

- Ensure that the saw is shut off or its brake engaged when carrying the saw
- Clear all debris from the chain's path and look for snails and other obstacles in the tree prior to cutting.
- Maintain secure footing and keep both hands on the saw handles at all times when cutting.
- Make sure that proper personal protection equipment must be worn when operating the chain saw. This includes hand, foot, leg, eye, face, hearing and head protection.
- Do not wear loose clothing.
- Ensure that gasoline powered chain saws are equipped with a protective device that minimizes chain saw kick back.
- Be cautious of saw kick back. To avoid kick back do not saw with tip. If equipped, keep tip guard in place.
- Observe tree branches as they may spring out when cut and take care that tree limbs do not bind against the saw.
- Always consult manufacturers instructions for more information.