# Siege Robotics Safety Manual





### **Team 456 Safety Nuts**







Our Safety Nuts want to remind you of a few things to keep others safe in the pits, in your shop, and at competition:

- Be sure to pay attention to things happening around you!
- Wear safety equipment and gear like safety glasses, closed toe shoes, and gloves for carrying the robots!
- Don't run or rough house in the pits!
- Listen to volunteers, mentors, adults, or anyone else put in charge.
- Follow not only basic FIRST rules for safety but also follow the rules at the event arena.

From the Safety Nut's of 456 Siege Robotics,

Good Luck Teams, Have Fun, and remember SAFETY FIRST!!

Please Use These Safety Kit Materials Presented to You by Team 456 to Have a Safer FIRST Experience!			
Included are:			
✓ Small first aid kit (Just in case of minor accidents!)			
✓ Gloves for safely handling your robot			
✓ Trash bag to help keep your pit clean			
√ Tissues and hand sanitizer to help keep you healthy			



## Safety Nut

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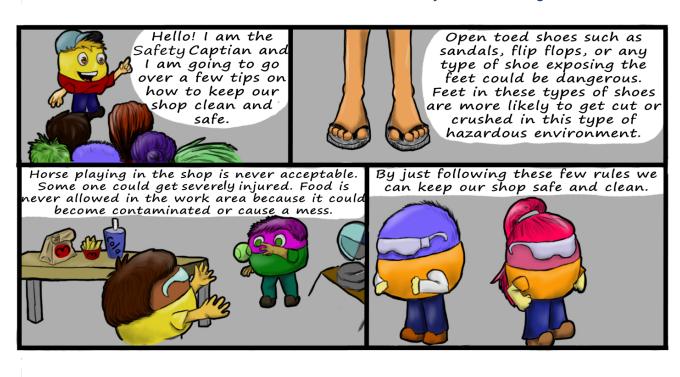






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<u>SAFETY</u>
CHECKLIST
□ First Aid Reference Books
□ First Aid Kit
□ Material Safety Data Sheets ( <u>MSDS</u> )
□ Safety Glasses
☐ Gloves: acid-resistant and leak-proof and work
□ Closed-Toe Shoes
☐ Hearing Protection
□ Fire Extinguisher/Fire Blanket
□ Baking Soda (to neutralize acids)
□ Hair Ties/Bobby Pins
□ Broom and Dustpan
□ Disable Switch
□ Injury/Accident Reports
□ Every team member's medical info and emergency contact

## Safe Practices □ Wear close-toed shoes □ No Loose clothing □ No jewelry □ Long hair pulled back □ Clean and organized pit area $\square$ Lift with legs, <u>NOT</u> with back ☐ Be aware of your surroundings ☐ Put robot in disable mode when uploading programs ☐ Turn OFF the robot when picking it up and moving it □ Release all potential energy sources ☐ Know what to do in an emergency ☐ Know where the fire extinguisher is located ☐ Know where all emergency exits are ☐ Exercise common sense! ☐ READ THE FIRST SAFETY MANUAL!

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Basic First Aid
Open wounds that are bleeding:
1. Wearing clean gloves, firmly apply direct pressure.
2. Call for medical assistance.
3. Lift wound above heart level.
4. Fold a firm pressure pad larger than the wound.
5. Place pad on wound, making sure the wound is covered.
6. Secure pad with a roller bandage.
Bruises:
1. Apply ice.
Burns:
1. 1st degree - run under COOL, not cold, water
2. 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree – put clean bandage on, Don't apply any ointments
3. 3 <sup>rd</sup> degree - don't attempt to
remove clothing, call 911!

Sc	rapes:	
	1. Rinse with water and wash with soap.	
	2. Apply antibacterial ointment.	
	3. Put band aid on the scrape.	
Re	member SAMPLE	
	S – Signs and Symptoms	
	A - Allergies	
	M - Medication	
	P - Past medical history	
	L - Last meal	
	E - Event history	
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<b>3</b>	SAFETY NUT'S IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR TEAMS
	In the heat of FIRST competitions many of our teams need to remember the signs of certain dangerous situations. This why team 456 Siege Robotics has made this information sheet on allergy attacks, asthma attacks, heart attacks, and seizures.
	ALLERGY ATTACKS:
	SIGNS:  A person develops a rash, itchiness or swelling on their hands, feet or face. Their breathing may slow down.
	<ul> <li>What to do:</li> <li>1. If the person is suffering from anaphylaxis (breathing problems, shock or change in mental status), call 911. Also, if the person has an auto- injector/ Epi-</li> </ul>
	pen, help them use it.  2. Give them constant reassurance while waiting for the ambulance  Causes:
	Some are common such as pollen, insect stings, latex and some food items, such as nuts or dairy products.
	ASTHMA ATTACKS:
	Asthma is a condition where all airways in the person affected are smaller or blocked.  SIGNS:
	Having difficulty breathing and speaking may cough and wheeze. They become very nervous and frightful caused by not being able to breath. The person's, if severe
	enough, lips, earlobes, and nail beds may turn greyish-blue, from lack of oxygen.  WHAT TO DO:  1. Help the person sit in a comfortable position and help them take their
	medication. An inhaler helps relax their muscles, allowing the tightened air ways to expand, and easing their breathing.  2. Reassure the person. If the attack becomes severe, they don't have their
	medication or they don't improve with medication, call 911 or get someone else to do it.

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HEART ATTACKS:
A heart attack occurs when the blood supply to the heart is instantly blocked. This
blockage means the heart cannot work properly, so the heart attack can become fatal.
SIGNS:
These include persistent, vice-like chest pain, which may spread to their arms,
neck, jaw, back, or stomach. These symptoms may vary with the person. Also, being
breathless, feeling unwell, and sweating.  WHAT TO DO:
1. Notice the signs
<ol> <li>Call 911 as soon as possible, or get another person to do it.</li> </ol>
3. Give them aspirin, as long as they are not allergic. The best is one not coated.
4. Make sure they are in a comfortable position such as siting them on the floor,
leaning against a wall or chair.
<ol><li>Give them constant reassurance while waiting for the ambulance.</li></ol>
SEIZURE/ EPILEPSY:
WHAT TO DO:
<ol> <li>DO NOT restrain the person but put a blanket or clothing next to their head,</li> </ol>
but not under it, to protect them from injury. Placing under their head may
compromise the airway.
2. After the seizure, roll the person to their side with their head tilted back.
3. Call 911, if they have injured themselves, have no seizure history, or the seizure
has lasted longer than 5 minutes.
BATTERY SPILL:
WHAT TO DO:
1. <b>DO NOT</b> touch the liquid from the battery. Retrieve a battery spill kit to
safely clean up the area affected.
2. Notify a mentor about the spill and restrict access to the area.
3. Wear personal protective equipment; chemical splash goggles, apron and gloves.
4. Encircle spill with baking soda then apply inward, mix thoroughly into the spill.
5. Wait 5 minutes to neutralize, place waste into garbage bag using an object to
scrape it up, DO NOT USE YOUR HANDS. Place into a trash can.

## Basic Safety Rules for Hand Tools

- > ALWAYS WEAR EYE PROTECTION.
- > Wear the RIGHT SAFETY EQUIPMENT for the job.
- Use tools that are the RIGHT SIZE & RIGHT TYPE for your job.
- Follow the correct procedure for using EVERY tool.
- Keep your cutting tools SHARP and in good condition.
- > DON'T work with OILY or GREASY hands.
- Handle SHARP-EDGED and POINTED TOOLS with care.
- Always carry pointed tools by your side with the points and heavy ends DOWN.
- > SECURE all small work & short work with a vise or clamp.
- NEVER carry tools in your pockets.
- DON'T use tools which are LOOSE or CRACKED.
- KEEP your punches & chisels in good condition. Mushroomed heads can chip & cause injuries.
- > DON'T use a file without a HANDLE.

- DON'T pry or hammer with a FILE. The tool or work piece may shatter.
- DON'T use screwdrivers as chisels or pry bars.
- DON'T try to increase your leverage by using a "cheater" with a wrench.
- Wrenches are designed at the right strength for their size and length.
- > AFTER USING A TOOL clean it and return it to its proper storage place.
- If anything breaks or malfunctions report it to your instructor AT ONCE.
- > Use the RIGHT TYPE of tool for the job.
- > NEVER place tools & materials where they hang on the edge of a bench.
- Don't use tools for things they weren't meant for.
- Store tools and materials vertically, with the points and heavy end down.
- Cut away from yourself when you use chisels and other edged tools.
- DON'T FORCE screws; make sure that the correct screw for the job is being used.
- > Long hair should be put in a hair band.

## **Hand Tool Safety**

The antics of Tim Allen on his TV handyman show within a show may be amusing in a sitcom, but in real life, improper use of hand tools can be painful and debilitating. Injuries can go way beyond a smashed thumb caused by a misplaced hammer strike. In fact, it is estimated that hand tool mishaps are responsible for about 1 out of 12 compensable workplace injuries—including cuts and bruises, punctures, fractures, and even loss of a finger, hand, or eye.



#### Tool Safety Rules

The Hand Tools Institute, an association of hand tool manufacturers and suppliers, believes that most incidents are preventable if workers just follow basic safety rules.

The five main points to remember are:

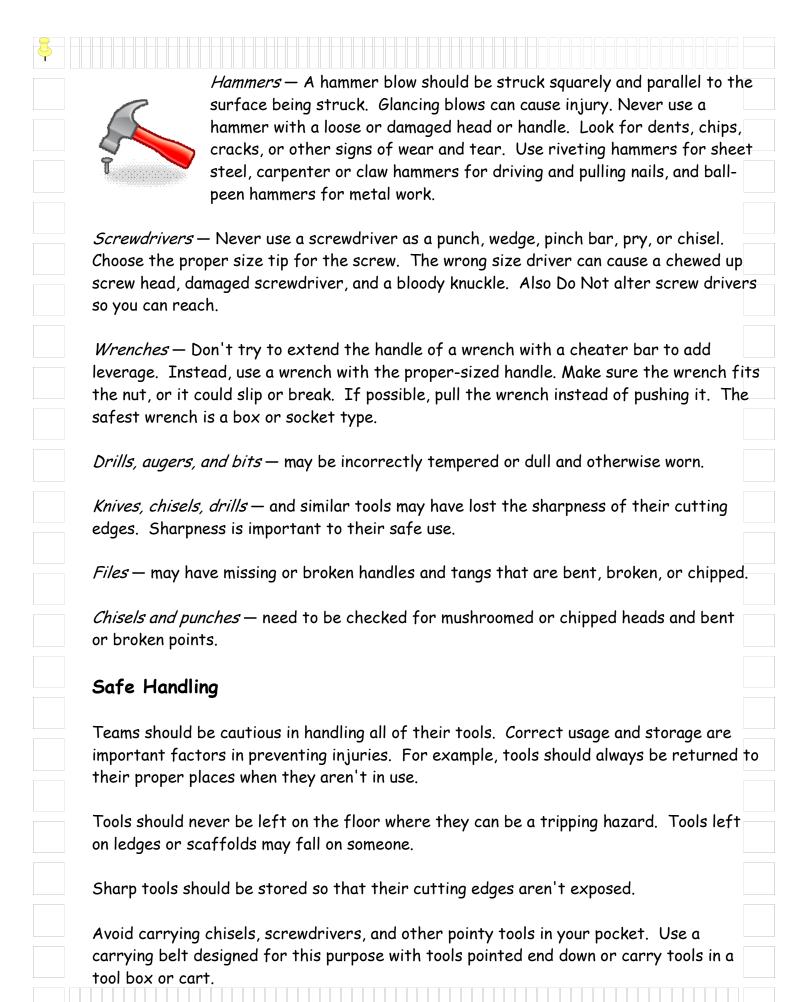
- 1. Always use appropriate eye protection to keep flying pieces and parts from contacting your eyes. The Hand Tools Institute suggests that employees keep their safety goggles in their tool box so that they can easily find them to use for every hand tool job. Other important pieces of protective equipment include work gloves that provide a better grip.
- 2. Use the right tools for the job. Each tool is designed to perform a specific function. It is dangerous to substitute or use an inappropriate tool.
- 3. Use tools properly, including proper positioning to avoid repetitive-stress type injuries.
- 4. Service your tools regularly. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for performing proper maintenance on the tools.
- 5. Don't use damaged tools. Discard them immediately, fix them, or replace them.
- 6. Make sure you always use Eye Protection!

#### Look at the Details

Just how do these rules apply to your tools? Here are some examples:

Pliers — Too many people use pliers as wrenches for turning nuts or bolts. This is not the proper function of a plier, which should be used for gripping or cutting wire. Discard pliers when they have developed chipped or dulled cutting edges.





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Tools should be handed from one team member to another, never thrown. Pass pointed tools with handles first.

If tools have to go from one level to another, a bucket or bag that will safely handle the tools should be secured to a rope for lifting or lowering.

#### Personal Protective Equipment

Another part of safe tool usage is using appropriate personal protective gear. This could mean safety glasses with hammers, files, and cold chisels; gloves with tin snips and other cutting instruments; safety hats and shoes when tools are used overhead or pieces of the work are likely to fall.



#### Avoid Repetitive Stress Injuries

Try to purchase ergonomically designed hand tools for your workers. Improve the ergonomics of the tools by training your employees to keep their wrists straight and their elbows close to their bodies. Comfort grips or properly fitted gloves can help reduce the stress on hands and wrists.

#### Summary

- ❖ Choose the right tool
- \* Make sure it is in safe condition
- Use it properly and for the purpose it was intended
- \* Store it safety
- Use common sense



### It's Easy to be "Green"

- Carpool
  - Have team members carpool to meetings
  - o Save gas by having one person pickup food
- Recycle
  - o Cans, plastic bottles, aluminum
  - Use recyclable water bottles
- Batteries
  - Turn in old drill batteries
- Turn off all lights & computers when leaving
- Purchase recycled products



#### **Emergency Contact Information Sheet**

Member Name	Emergency Contact Phone #	Current Medication or Alerts

#### **Accident Report Form**

## 1. General Information Name of Injured\_\_\_\_\_\_Birthdate\_\_\_\_\_Sex\_\_\_\_ Address\_\_\_\_\_\_Telephone\_\_\_\_\_ School\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Injury\_\_\_\_ Time of Injury\_\_\_\_ 2. Description of Accident 3. Immediate Action Taken A. First Aid Treatment: □ Ice □ Pressure □ Wash □ Bandage □ Other B. Notification: Parent or other individual □ Yes □ No Time\_\_\_\_\_ Method of Notification\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number Called\_\_\_\_\_\_By Whom\_\_\_\_\_ Name of Individual Notified\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Witness(es): Name\_\_\_\_\_Address\_\_\_\_ Name Address\_

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