Box Cutters

Protect yourself from Box Cutter injuries

Box cutters are an efficient way to slice through bulky materials. But they can also be a source of injury, if not used correctly. It is important that you have training on how to use and sharpen box cutters.

**Best Practices:**

- Keep the blades as sharp and as short as possible
- Replace dull or broken blades
- Wear metal mesh gloves and other protective gear
- When using a box cutter, angle it away from the body
- Watch the blade at all times

**When finished using a box cutter, you should:**

- Retract the blade
- Cover the box cutter and store it in a secure place
- Use puncture-resistant containers for the disposal of dull or damaged blades

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