

## **Safe Work Practice**

Name of Job: Use of Power Mowers (Gasoline)		Development Date: February 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2011		Developed By: CSNS
Possible Hazards Present				
Slips, trips & falls	Musculoskeletal injury (MSI)		Flying debris	
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## What are some good general safe work practices?

- **DO** Know your controls
- **DO** ensure the area to be mowed is clear of sticks, stones, wires and debris.
- **DO NOT** add fuel to a running or hot engine. Follow safe job procedure for refueling as specified by the manufacturer.
- **DO NOT** leave a running mower unattended.
- **DO NOT** operate engine where carbon monoxide fumes can collect.
- DO properly maintain the mower.
- DO ensure engine is stopped before pushing mower across drives, walks or roads.
- **DO** wear required personal protective equipment (PPE) when operating mowers.
- DO NOT wear footwear which can cause slips .
- DO use protection on exposed skin when working in sunny conditions.

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• **DO** follow power mower manufacturer operating instructions.



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