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## SAFE WORK PRACTICE

Name of Job: <b>Use of Power Mowers (Gasoline)</b>	Development Date:	Developed By:	Approved By:	Review Date:
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### Possible Hazards Present

Slips, trips & falls	Musculoskeletal injury (MSI)	Flying debris	Excessive noise
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### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Devices Recommended

Steel toed boots	Eye protection	Eye protection	Hearing protection
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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 an engine where carbon monoxide fumes can collect.
- **DO** properly maintain the mower.
- **DO** ensure the engine is stopped before pushing mower across drives, walks or roads.
- **DO** wear the 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.
- **DO** follow the power mower manufacturer operating instructions.

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