

## Equipment Safe Work Summary

# Axe, pick and Sledge Hammer

**DO NOT** use this equipment unless you are authorised or have been instructed in its safe use and operation.

### POTENTIAL HAZARDS

Eye injury	Impact injury	Laceration

### PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Safety Goggles	Steel Capped boots	

### PRE-OPERATION

- Ensure good housekeeping in work area
- Ensure blade is sharp,
- Inspect equipment before use for damaged handle and secure head
- When carrying an axe, carry at your side with blade pointing down.
- Transporting ensure blade guard is attached

### OPERATIONAL SAFETY

- clear area of obstructions and allow adequate room to swing
- If using in a populated area barricade off sufficient room
- Ensure legs and other limbs are clear of impact area

### POST-OPERATION

- Ensure you clean up work area
- Place tool back where it belongs

### PROHIBITED

- Never use an axe or pick as a sledge hammer

This Document does not replace training; it covers hazards associated with normal use and therefore may not cover all possible hazards associated with the machine. Refer to the user's manual or training documents for further information. This document is designed to be used as a summary of a Safe Work Instruction and to act as a reminder to users prior to machine use.