

## HYDRAULIC METAL SHEAR BASIC SAFETY

- If unfamiliar – ASK A MONITOR.
- Use eye protection; no loose clothing, hair or jewelry. Gloves for sharp metal edges.
- The maximum is 16 gauge mild SHEET METAL ONLY or 20 gauge stainless steel sheet metal. Do not use for aluminum.
- NO round or flat stock, REBAR, HOG-WIRE, PLASMA or TORCH CUT METAL. Sheet metal too large will bind and/or damage the machine. If metal is stuck, turn off machine and contact a Monitor.
- Ensure cut-area is clear. Check guards and guide. Cycle sheer once without cutting to confirm clear and reset machine.
- Always keep fingers and non-work metal clear of the blade.
- Do not feed material from the backside. Do not adjust metal guide while machine is on.
- Never cut material that is too short to hold on the table without fingers away from the guard. Do not reach under blade to clear objects while machine is on.
- If two-person operation is necessary, communication and responsibilities must be clear. The helper must signal the operator to cycle / The operator should announce “clear” before cycling.
- Place scraps and trimmings in metal waste containers. Clean the work area before leaving the area.
- Notify a Monitor if guards are missing or the machine is damaged.

