

## Operating machinery

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if you've been drinking



**Alcohol affects your vision, judgement, concentration, coordination and reaction time.**

That's why you shouldn't operate dangerous machinery or tools if you've been drinking. Things can and do go wrong. You need to be alert and in control to make sure that you're not putting yourself or others at risk.

**Particularly hazardous machinery and tools include:**

- Wood processing machinery
- Cutting tools
- Electrical equipment
- Farm machinery
- Heating or burning tools (such as blow torches)
- Ladders (anything that means you're working at heights)
- Motorised machinery
- Machinery with guards
- Machinery with exposed moving parts.

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The answer is to think ahead and plan ahead. Don't drink if you know you are about to use dangerous machinery or tools.

And always finish the job before having a drink!

When operating dangerous machinery, please remember:

- You need to be alert and in control
- Alcohol affects vision, judgement, concentration, coordination and reaction time
- Don't use machinery or dangerous tools if you've been drinking



Think ahead and plan accordingly to protect your safety. Do not drink alcohol if you are about to use dangerous machinery or tools.

### talkingalcohol.com

is a site dedicated to helping people make informed choices about alcohol

### other websites

These sites contain further information that you may find useful. However SABMiller is not responsible for the content of these sites.

- Health and Safety Executive (UK), Don't Mix It! A Guide for Employers on Alcohol at Work  
[www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg240.htm](http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg240.htm)
- Iowa State University, Machinery Safety  
[www.ehs.iastate.edu/cms/default.asp?action=article&ID=206](http://www.ehs.iastate.edu/cms/default.asp?action=article&ID=206)

- NSW Government, Alcohol and The Workplace  
[www.alcoholinfo.nsw.gov.au/workforce\\_capacity/safe\\_workplace](http://www.alcoholinfo.nsw.gov.au/workforce_capacity/safe_workplace)
- US Department of Labour, Working Partners  
[www.dol.gov/workingpartners](http://www.dol.gov/workingpartners)

