GUIDELINES
ON SAFE USE OF PRESS MACHINES
FOREWORD

Statistics have shown that many accidents occurred due to the use of press machine. Serious upper limb injuries like loss of fingers, hands and even loss of life are among the consequences usually results from accidents caused by trapping between the tools of a power press.

In many accident cases investigated by the Department of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH), it have found that most of the accident occurred due to the failure of the employer in establishing and providing a safe work system for the use of press machine. These include lack of understanding on how the machine works, not understanding the risk taken and also lack of control measure to minimize the risk.

Thus, in order to overcome these problems, DOSH in collaboration with the industry and MyJICA (The JICA Alumni Society of Malaysia) have developed a guideline on safe use of power press to provide practical guidance and advice to ensure safe use of power press. This guideline will guide the user on basic principle of machine safety, risk assessment and important of safety features that must be installed to ensure high level of protection of user and other exposed persons against the risk.

I would like to request to all employers who have responsibility, directly or indirectly, for power presses and their provision and use, to adapt this guideline as a source of reference in operating and maintaining power presses and also to fulfill one of their general duties under the Occupational Safety and Health Act 1994 and regulations made under this Act. Industries are welcome to give any comment and recommendation to DOSH at any time so that improvements can be made to this guideline.

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Part 1 - INTRODUCTION

The transformation of the country’s economic sector from an agriculture-based economy to an industrial-based economy has increased the use of machinery in the manufacturing sector. This has positive and negative impact on workers. Although it can improve productivity, the increased use of machinery also raised the issue of safety of workers. Many reports on industrial accidents attributed the cause of accident to the use of machinery, including the press machine, which is widely used in the steel and automotive industries. This scenario is observed from cases reported to SOCSO and DOSH. Analysis of the report found that the most common type of accidents involved upper limb injuries which include hands and fingers.

Press machines are usually used in the manufacturing sector to produce automotive parts and components, metal furniture, electrical goods such as pots and microwave oven, air conditioning system, brackets for communication systems, gas stove, canned drinks or food, and many others. Amputation or serious injury usually results from accidents caused by trapping between the pinch points (point-of-operation) of a power press. The varied work demands on power presses and the wear to which the guarding mechanisms are subject means that the integrity of the guarding is constantly ‘under threat’. The operation of the press itself pushes main parts such as the clutch and brake to wear and damage over quite short periods of time. This guideline gives advice on precautions that can be taken to ensure the safe use of power presses.

Part 2 - OBJECTIVE

This Guidelines on Safe Use of Press Machines will enable all parties who have the responsibility, directly or indirectly, on power presses and their provision and use which include understanding of hazards and risk managements, safety features, procedures, safety information's and trainings related to press machines and thus eventually will reduce upper limb injuries.

Part 3 - LEGAL PROVISIONS

Every employer is required under Section 15(2) OSHA 1994 to ensure as far as practicable, the safety, health and welfare at work of his employees. The employers shall ensure that the press machines are properly maintained, have good system of works, safe to be operated and the operators are well trained and supervised.

Similarly, employees are required under Section 24(1) to take reasonable care in terms of the safety of themselves and other persons who may be affected by their actions or omissions in operating the power press. As well as the designers, manufacturers and suppliers also have responsibilities under Section 20(1) to carry out their duty to eliminate or minimizing of any risk to safety or health related to press machine.
Part 4 - PRESS MACHINE (INTRODUCTION)

A. TYPE OF PRESS MACHINE.
Press machine is a machine tool that changes the shape of a work piece by the application of pressure. Press machine can be classified into 4 types according to the source of energy that create the pressure.

i. Mechanical Press – energy sourced from flywheel rotation energy.
ii. Servo Press – energy sourced from geared servo motor.
iii. Hydraulic Press – energy sourced from hydraulic power pac.
iv. Pneumatic Press – energy sourced from compress air.

I - MECHANICAL PRESS
Mechanical press or power press is the most commonly used for sheet metal stamping process. Electrical motor with belting is used to spin the flywheel to create rotational energy as shown in figure 1 below. A clutch & brake is used to couple the spinning flywheel to the crankshaft. The crankshaft converts the rotary motion of the flywheel to the downward and upward reciprocating motions of the press ram. The force that creates the pressure to the ram (slide) comes from the flywheel rotational energy.

Figure 1 Mechanical Press
Mechanical press has 3 main assembly units.

- Crown or crankshaft assembly: consist of main motor, flywheel, clutch & brake and crankshaft.
- Slide assembly: consist of ram plate, overload unit and slide adjustment.
- Bed assembly: consist of bed plate and cushion unit (optional).

Mechanical press commonly has 2 basic frame shapes.

- C-Frame for small tonnage press machine, below 250 tons. Structure is made from thick plate cut into C shape. Structure is simple and cost cheaper.
- H-Frame for medium and large tonnage, above 300 tons. Crown unit at the top and bed unit at the bottom connected together with 4 units of poles (Upright). Fixed bolster for 500 tons below and moving bolster above 500 tons. Structure is complicated and expensive.

a. MECHANICAL PRESS MACHINE (CLUTCH & BRAKE)

Clutch and Brake is a component in mechanical press machine that make slide move and stop by coupling and decoupling with the rotated flywheel. The basic knowledge on this clutch and brake is necessary to understand the safety system of press machine.

Two different types of clutches are used on mechanical presses, full-revolution clutches and part-revolution clutches.

b. FULL-REVOLUTION CLUTCHES

Mechanism of full-revolution clutch is simpler and cheaper. Full-revolution clutch is design for small tonnage presses for simple and smaller part. Normally small scale industry acquired this kind of press for their operation.

Once the clutch is engaged, it remains engaged until the crankshaft has completed a full cycle. Since the full-revolution clutch makes a complete revolution before it disengages, presses equipped with this type of clutch generally expose a greater hazard after a stroke is initiated. See Figure 2.

![Figure 2 Full-Revolution Clutches](image)
Figure 3 Show the basic simplified cross section use to explain the operation of full-revolution clutch and brake. Flywheel mounted to the clutch housing and rotates together. The rotation of the clutch housing will move the roller in the cam slot from free condition to pinned condition which rotates the cam together with crank shaft. A trip lug on the roller cage releases the clutch and stopping the shaft. The clutch remains free until the pawl is moved away from the trip lug. The driven shaft is always disengaged at Top Dead Center (TDC) crankshaft position. The trip may be activated manually, mechanically, or electromagnetically.

Figure 3 Simplified Cross Section of Full-revolution clutches

C. PART-REVOLUTION CLUTCHES.

The part-revolution clutch can be disengaged and engaged at any point in the downward and upward slide movement. This type of clutch is for all range of press tonnage from small to large press.

Figure 4 show picture of press using part-revolution clutch and brake. Cross section drawing in the middle shows the location of the clutch and brake unit inside the machine. Drawing on the right shows the clutch and brake unit.

Figure 4 Part-Revolution Clutches
The basic operation of part-revolution clutches and brake is similar with car engine and it transmission. It is work base on friction force from friction disc to move and stop the slide. The drive motor and flywheel of the press machine is keep rotating regardless clutch and brake engage and disengage. In default condition the press machine is always in brake condition.

Figure 5 show the basic simplified cross section use to explain the operation of part-revolution clutch and brake. The red colour is the rotational part consist of flywheel with it friction disc. Main motor and belt is use to rotate the mass of the flywheel to create rotational energy. The green colour is the static part consist of brake casing and it friction disc. The grey colour is the drive unit consists of drive shaft and drive plate lock together with key way. Press the double push button will trigger the solenoid valve which will allow hydraulic/pneumatic force to activate the piston. The piston pushes the drive plate coupling together with flywheel and rotates the drive shaft. The drive shaft rotates the crankshaft and moves the slide up and down.

![Figure 5. Simplified Cross Section of Part-revolution clutches](image)

II. SERVO PRESS

The physical shape of servo press and mechanical press is almost the same. The major different is mechanical press having big flywheel where else a servo press do not have flywheel. The pressure energy for servo press comes from servo motor and its transmission gear ratio. The servo press used electrical servo controller to stop and rotate the servo motor in different speed. Servo controller acts like a clutch and brake for mechanical press.

Servo press is a new technology and the price is higher than common mechanical press. For maintenance purposes, it requires technician with special skill in electrical servo system. Servo press has better advantage compare to mechanical press, it;

- Could control slide movement throughout the stroke and dwell for a certain period at bottom dead center (BDC), thus eventually controlling sheet metal flow inside dies is much easier.
- Could set different height of slide stroke which significantly increase the output. It ideal for progressive dies.
III. HYDRAULIC PRESS

A **hydraulic press** is a machine using a hydraulic power unit and hydraulic cylinder to generate a compressive force as shown in figure 7. Hydraulic Power Units consist of a motor, a reservoir and a hydraulic pump. Based on law of physics, one part of the system is a piston acting as a pump, with modest mechanical force acting on a small cross-sectional area; the other part is a piston with a larger area which generates a correspondingly large mechanical force to drive most any kind of hydraulic ram (slide).
IV. PNEUMATIC PRESS

A pneumatic press is a machine using a pneumatic cylinder to generate a compressive pressure. Compress air supply from compressor unit to pneumatic cylinder by piping or hoses. The system of hydraulic and pneumatic press is almost the same however hydraulic can deliver higher tonnage and higher energy efficiency. Pneumatic press normally use for small metal part or non-metal material for bigger part.

![Figure 8 Pneumatic Press](image)

B. PRESS WORK AREA

HAZARDS AREA

Press machine make very simple movement, downward and upward of the ram (slide). Every each cycle stroke, the machine operator will load the work piece into the lower dies and unload formed work piece after complete the cycle. The space between upper slide and bolster is called ‘press work area’ or ‘point of operation’ as shown in figure.9. This press work area is also known as hazardous area on which an accident might happen.
TYPE OF ACCIDENT
The slide movement of mechanical, servo and pneumatic press is faster than the hydraulic press. Faster movement creates higher possibility of accident. Accident in press machine is when the slide movement downward interferes with human movement inside press work area. Figure 10 below show the main type of accident recorded:

1) Pinch – many cases occurred at small press.
2) Hit – a few cases occurred at large press.
3) Crush - a few cases occurred at large press
C. ELECTRICAL CONTROL SYSTEMS

Electrical control unit is a device regulates the sequence and interlocking of all systems in press machine using logic control such as relays circuit, programmable logic controllers or microcontrollers. The logic control has input lines where sensors are connected to notify upon events (e.g. temperature above/below a certain level, lubrication level reached, etc.), and output lines to signal any reaction to the incoming events (e.g. start main motor, open/close a valve, etc.).

Purpose of electrical control system in Press Machine.

Machine safe:

Example:

- Oil level sensor: Lubrication level at lubrication tank enough before start lubrication pump.
- Oil pressure sensor: Lubrication pressure is enough to ensure lubrication oil reach all rotating and sliding mechanism lubricated inside crown.
- Air pressure sensor: Air pressure is enough for slide counter balancer to operate as per setting.
- Sequence sensor: Machine component movement follow sequence to avoid interference such as dies change process.

Human safe:

Example:

- Safety Feature Sensor: Sensor to ensure machine turn to OFF Mode or STOP mode immediately if detected human enter the machine movement area (hazard zone) or operate in as per safety procedure.
Part 5 - PRESS MACHINE HAZARDS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Working with Power presses creates multiple hazards to operators, technicians and contractors. Those hazards should be identified, analysis on risk should be performed and control measure (or risk control) should be developed. Control measure need to be communicated to all related parties. In so doing, arrangement on improvement of work procedure, training and retraining or engineering modification can be implemented to remove or reduce the risk.

Appendix A shows the proposed matrix that describes the activities, hazard identified, risk involved and finally the control measure. Industry may refer to the matrix prior to developing own risk control.

Part 6 - BASIC MACHINE SAFETY

Safety must be taken into account in the design phase and also throughout all stages of a machine’s life cycle; transportation, installation, adjustment, operation, production maintenance, repair and dismantling. Designer and manufacturer should consider inherently safe design measures: protective measure which either eliminates hazards or reduces the risks associated with hazards by changing the design or operating characteristics of the machine without the use of guards or protective devices.

DESIGN

Persons engaged in designing and manufacturing of press machine should conduct a risk assessment of machinery and measures based on the findings of thereof, carry out the following items:

a. specification of the limits of the machine such as:
   • Use limits: the intended use of machinery, reasonably foreseeable misuses, workers’ experiences, and abilities, etc.
   • Space limits: range, etc. required for machine action, installation, maintenance and inspection, etc.
   • Time limits: the foreseeable “life limit” etc. of machinery and their components and parts

b. Identification of hazard (which refers to the action of finding and determining identical instances indicated as examples as hazards caused by machinery) in tasks, etc. where workers interact with machinery.

c. Estimation of risk for the hazards identified in (b) and consideration whether adequate risk reductions have been achieved.

d. Reduction of risk by considering and carrying out protective measures
1. Constructing safer machine by reducing risk by design.

Other than inherently safe design measures, designer and manufacturer should consider designing a press machine will not let the operator and hazard exist in the same area or time (distance separation). Automatic or continuous feeding is one good example reducing risk by design.

2a. Safe guarding by isolation

Simple and effective machinery and equipment risk control on which isolating a hazard and a person by space

- **Distance separation**: a person cannot reach the hazard due to distance.
- **Barrier separation**: an effective barrier or guard denies access and controls ejection of parts, products or waste (fixed guard).
- **Time separation**: at the time of access, the machinery or equipment is disabled

2b. Safe guarding by shutdown

This is design as such that the machine will stop when the safeguard is intervened. Using the principle of stop, when the interlock system of the gate is opened, it will off the
whole electronic and electric system and thus will stop the machine.


This is done by adding preventive measure for allowable risk. This is introduced when other protective measure failed to function. Such items are Emergency Stop Button (ESB), operation selector switch, remote enabler switches of remote controller on Hoisting machine and lockout/tagout switches

[4] Risk reduction by Information in use

Residual Risk should be noticeable to user. All information on hazardous state should be communicated and displayed. Such information includes alarm (such as sound or light) or warning label or hazard identification.

Part 7 - SAFETY FEATURE OF PRESS MACHINES.

A. FULL-REVOLUTION CLUTCH AND BRAKE PRESS MACHINE

There are 2 safety features that can be implemented to operator that operate the machine.

i) Restraint device with hand feeding tool.

ii) Pullback device with or without hand feeding tool.

RESTRAINT DEVICE WITH HAND FEEDING TOOL.

The restraint (hold out) device utilizes cables or straps that are attached to the operator’s hands at a fixes point. The cables or straps must be adjusted to let the operator’s hand travel within a predetermined safe area. There is no extending or retracting action involved. Consequently, hand-feeding tools are often necessary if the operation involves placing and removing work piece in the press work area (hazard area).
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Figure 13 Restraint Device With Hand Feeding Tool

PULLBACK DEVICE

Pullback devices utilise a series of cables attached to the operator's hands, wrists, and/or arms. This type of device is primarily used on machines with stroking action. When the slide/ram is up between cycles, the operator is allowed access to the press work area (hazard zone). Pullback device not required to use hand feeding tool for placing and removing work piece however if use, it is additional safety.

B. PART-REVOLUTION CLUTCH AND BRAKE PRESS MACHINE.

Safety feature that guard the press work area (hazard zone) is one of the system that connected to electrical control unit. As shown in figure 15, six out of seven safety features connected to electrical control unit.
Pressing double push start button will send a command to electrical control unit to energise the solenoid valve and immediately slide move up and down inside press work area. The command will only be processed in condition all safety devices are as per designed of the safety ladder logic. If anyone of the safety feature failed the solenoid valve will not energise and the slide remains static.

This basic understanding is fully required to the management of Press Shop to educate technician and engineer not to “bypass” the safety ladder logic either with hard wiring or PLC programming.

**Figure 6. 2a – PLC and safety features**

*Figure 15 Seven Safety Features Connected To Electrical Control Unit.*

Figure 16 show the location of the 7 types of the safety feature at the H-Frame and C-Frame. The C-Frame safety feature is at the same location the only different is it has only one side of curtain sensor where loading/unloading at the same side compares to H-Frame loading from the front and unloading from the back.
FEATURE 1: OPERATION SELECTOR SWITCH.

All mechanical press machines have this mode of operation selector switch. The selector switch mounted at the press machine operation panel located at right hand side of the press machine. There are two type of selector switch commonly use as shown in figure 17. The left hand side use key itself to turn for selection and the right hand side use knob for selection and key to lock.

b) INCHING mode: slide can be jogged slightly downward movement and upward movement. This Inching operation mode is use for dies setting and on-line dies repair.

c) CYCLE/SINGLE mode: a complete cycle of slide movement start from top position move to bottom position and back to top position and stop. This 1 cycle/single operation mode is use for production purpose.
d) OFF mode: the operator selects this mode when there is dies change operation. In this mode, main motor still spinning the flywheel but initiation with push start button cannot be done. At this mode all switches on the operation panel are active such as switches to move bolster out and in, slide adjustment up down and cushion adjustment.

e) CONTINUE mode: it is continuous repeated cycle of slide movement. Depress one time double push start button to initiate this repeated cycle movement and another depress will stop the cycle. This continues operation mode is use for coil feeding stamping production for blanking or progressive part.

f) ADJUST mode: only applicable for moving bolster press machine. Switch to this mode for adjustment of slide shut height and cushion stroke height. An electrical motor is use to turn the slide adjustment screw and cushion adjustment screw. This mode is use during Dies change operation where different part has different setting of shut height and cushion stroke height.

The safety part of this operation selector switch is the key. This key must always be kept with competent certified staff such as Line Leader or Supervisor or Die Setter, not left at the selector switch. The safety purpose of the key are as follow:

1. To prevent non competent staff or unauthorize staff to switch to adjustment mode and change slide shut height and cushion stroke height that can cause accident and quality issue.

2. To prevent non competent staff or unauthorize staff to switch to inching and off mode to perform dies change without leader supervision.

3. If press machine cycle interrupted due to unsafe action from the wrong use of double push button or trigger curtain sensor or trigger emergency stop button, leader will be called to verified the unsafe action before he use the key switch the selector to inching mode for reset purpose.

4. Selector switch lock at off mode during rest time and shift change, leader with the key to ensure everything in safe condition before switch to production mode (1 Cycle mode or Cont mode) and handover the machine to operator.

FEATURE 2: DOUBLE PUSH START BUTTON.

Double push start button is an electrical switch to energise the press safety valve to engage the clutch for press machine cycle initiation. It is not just a normal electrical switch, it has been design to ensure safe action which make it as one of press machine safety feature.

The standard safety design requirements for double push start button are as follow;

1. Double Push Start Button requires both hands to be away from the hazard area when the 1 cycle is initiated. Once a work piece is manually positioned on the lower dies, both hands must be removed from the hazard area to depress the push buttons.
2. Double push start button shall incorporate an anti-tie-down feature. This feature allows the buttons to be wired so that they must both be simultaneously depressed and released for each cycle of the press. This eliminates the possibility that operators will “tie-down” one of the buttons, permitting the use of one hand to push only one button to cycle the press and make the other hand possibility enter danger zone.

3. Both push buttons shall have ring guard or cover guard to prevent inadvertently depressed. The guard is also to separate between buttons to prevent “bridging” of both buttons by operators—i.e., activating the press without using both hands.
4. Mechanical power presses shall incorporate a single-stroke (or anti-repeat) feature that allows the clutch to engage and the press to cycle only once each time when the buttons are depressed.

5. The height of double push button should be adjusted/installation same level with operator elbow and the button is in horizontal orientation for the purpose to reduce undue operator fatigue.

6. The double push button are arranged so that the only probable means of operation is by both hands of a single operator, or by both hands of each operator where more than one operator is being protected by double push buttons.

7. On presses with part-revolution clutches, the removal of a worker’s hand from any double push button during the down stroke of the slide quickly deactivates the clutch and applies the brake to stop slide motion.

8. The double push buttons are fixed in a position so that only a set-up person, supervisor, or safety engineer can move them.

9. The position of the double push buttons is arranged to prevent any part of the body from entering the hazard area of the press during the down stroke.

10. The operation of the press is monitored frequently to ensure that operators are not bypassing or defeating the safety features of the double push buttons.

FOOT SWITCH PEDAL.

Since the availability of Double Push Start Button, Foot Switch is not recommended for press machine. With foot switch controls, the press is activated by pressing down on a foot switch or pedal, leaving the hands free during the cycling of the press. Foot controls do not intrinsically separate the operator’s hands from the machine’s hazard area during the operating cycle.

However if operation of press machine insist to use foot switch, it can only be used in 1 Cycle mode or Safety Once mode in which the safety of the operator is rely on the 2nd layer of safety feature such as Safety Guards (physical barrier), Hand Tools, Curtain Sensor (wherever applicable). Operator productivity may be greater with foot switch operation than with double switch button operation since the hands are free during the entire period of the press cycle. However, this freedom of hand movement also places operators using foot switches at greater potential risk of sustaining a press work area injury.
Figure 20 Location Of Foot Pedal Switch

Safety Standards for Foot Switch

1. Manually-fed mechanical power presses shall incorporate a single-stroke (or anti-repeat) feature that allows the clutch to engage and the press to cycle only once each time the foot control is depressed.

2. A guard shall be used to protect the foot pedal against accidental operation from failing or moving objects or from another person accidentally stepping on the control.

3. A pad with a nonslip contact area shall be firmly attached to the foot pedal.

4. The pedal return spring(s) shall be of the compression type, operating on a rod or guided within a hole or tube, or designed to prevent interleaving of spring coils in the event of breakage. A double compression spring (one spring inside another with each spring wound in the opposite direction) is one way to meet this requirement.
FEATURE 3: SAFETY LIGHT CURTAIN SENSOR

Safety Light Curtain sensor are one of the most common safeguards for press machine press work area (hazard zone). The location of this safety feature is at area loading and unloading entrance. The function of this curtain sensor is control by the cam switch. It will automatically brake and stop the machine stroke if the sensing field is interrupted during the downward movement to avoid accident. Upward movement the sensor is not active.

![Safety Light Curtain sensor](image)

Figure 21 Safety Light Curtain sensor

Safety Standards for Light Curtain Sensor.

There are many requirements that must be met before light curtain sensor can be installed as press work area safeguards.

1. Light curtain sensor devices cannot be used on machines using full revolution clutches.

2. A light curtain sensor must protect the operator by preventing or stopping normal stroking of the press if the operator’s hands are inadvertently placed in the press work area. It must also be interlocked into the control circuit so that the slide motion will stop the down stroke from continuing if any part of the operator’s body is within the sensing field at that time.

3. Should a failure occur within the system, the light curtain sensor must be constructed so that the normal stopping action is still applied when required, but prevents the start of the next stroke until the failure are corrected. The failure must be indicated by the system.

4. The operation mode selector at the controller must always at the active mode and the key must kept by the press maintenance. This operation mode selector use for press maintenance to overwrite for repair purpose.
5. The indicator light to indicate on and off must be in good condition to notify sensor is working.

FEATURE 4: SAFETY MOVABLE / FIXED FENCE

Safety fence are the most appropriate safeguards for press work area (hazard zone) and use at location where no loading and unloading work piece. There are 2 type of safety fence, movable with interlock sensor and fixed type. The movable with interlock sensor sometime call safety movable fence, use at press machine with moving bolster in and out. Fix bolster or bed press machine use fix fence. (Figure 22)

1. Safety fence design must prevent the entry of body or hands into the press work area by reaching through, over, under or around the fence.
2. The safety fence itself must not create pinch points between the fence and moving machine parts.
3. The fix safety fence must not be easily removable.
4. The safety fence must not interfere with machine inspection.
5. The safety fence must offer maximum visibility of the press work area.
6. Fixed safety fence must be attached securely to the frame and bed of the press.
7. Movable safety fence must be in closed position to trigger the interlock sensor for the machine to be in ready mode for cycle initiation.

Figure 22  Movable And Fixed Fence
FEATURE 5: GATE SAFETY PLUG (FOR ROBOTIC OPERATION)

Press operation with robot automation for work piece handling must be fenced around to prevent entry into robot envelop (hazard zone) during operation. Entry to robot envelop required during production when there is work piece drop from robot arm or miss loading on the dies. The operator enters the robot zone through gate with interlock sensor call Gate Safety Plug. Safety plug socket mounted to the fence and the receptacle tie to the gate with wire rope or chain. Open the gate will pull off the receptacle from the socket which will halt the robot and brake the press machine. Robot and press machine will be in ready mode when close the gate, insert the receptacle into socket and press reset button.

Figure 23 Gate Safety Plug (For Robotic Operation)
Item needs to be monitored and controlled for Gate Safety Plug are as follow:

1. No entry is permitted in the fenced area during operation. If entry is required the Gate Safety Plug must be pulled-off before opening the gate to shut down all machines movement. Entry without pulling off the Gate Safety Plug can posed great danger that possibly will lead to deadly accident.

2. The wire rope or chain use to tie the Gate Safety Plug must in good condition and cannot be detached or dismantle, It must be crimp or welded.

3. The length x, of the wire rope or chain must be as short as posibble to avoid operator slip through between gate and fence.

4. Do not allow bypassing the interlock using bypass wire at gate safety plug socket.

FEATURE 6: SAFETY BLOCK

The employer shall provide and enforce the use of safety blocks for use whenever dies are being adjusted or repaired in the press work area (hazard zone). They are not required during die setting unless safety blocks are included in die setting procedure. Safety blocks painted in red color are placed on the lower dies at dedicated area painted in red. The size and the quantity of the safety block are designed by the machine manufacturer to support a static load. The static load represents the combined weight of the press machine slide unit and upper dies. Small press equipped with 1 unit of safety block and large press equipped with 2 units of safety block.

Flywheel rotation energy for large press is strong enough to crush the safety block therefore for large press machine the safety block is tie together with safety plug for interlocking with machine control unit. Pull off the safety block safety plug will cut off the main motor and flywheel brake stop the flywheel from spinning. Small press safety block not necessary required interlocking due to the flywheel rotation energy not enough to crush the safety block, however interlocking is additional safety.
Figure 24 Safety Block

Item needs to be monitored and controlled for Safety Block are as follow:

1. Always place this safety block into the dies or tooling when adjusting or repairing dies in the machine.

2. Do not use this safety blocks for large press unless it has been electrically interlocked with the machine control unit to off main motor and brake the flywheel.

3. Never place this safety block on an edge where it is partially unsupported.
4. The wire rope or chain use to tie the safety block safety plug must in good condition and cannot be detached or dismantle, It must be crimp or welded.

5. Do not allow bypassing the interlock using bypass wire at safety plug socket.

6. Always remove this static block before starting the machine.

FEATURE 7: EMERGENCY STOP BUTTON.

An emergency stop button is a button that is used only when the functions of a machine need to be halted immediately. These buttons can be pressed when anything regarding the machine’s functions or the operator’s surroundings poses a threat to production or safety. As a safety measure, emergency stop buttons are a critical part of potentially dangerous machines that contain electrical circuits. These buttons typically work by cutting off power to the circuit that provides electricity to the machine.

The button is wired into the machine’s main and normal circuitry. Once it is pressed, it breaks and opens the circuitry, which in turn, cuts off the electrical supply and shuts down the machine. The electrical power supply is interrupted and causes the machine to halt its functions immediately.

A standard stop button shouldn’t be confused with an emergency one. Stop buttons are usually located next to start buttons and are generally of comparable size to the start button. An emergency button is usually much larger and more obvious, and it’s often red. It can be made of metal or plastic and can also come in different forms to suit a particular machine. For example, they can vary in position and release styles; some can require key, push-pull or twist releases. Depending on the size of machine, multiple emergency stop buttons could be found on a single machine.

![Emergency Stop Button Diagram](image)

Figure 25   Emergency Stop Button

Operators should be aware that using an emergency stop button can result in the complete shutdown of the machine. Should an operator decide to restart the machine’s functions, he or she might have to reset the machine and the stop button manually. After this occurs, the electricity circuit that powers the machine can be closed and restored to full operation.
Summary of seven safety features.

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<td>To ensure only trained people verify the safety at each mode of operation.</td>
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<td>Feature 2: Double Push Start Button.</td>
<td>To ensure both hand push the start button to initiate the press and safe away from press work area.</td>
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<td>Feature 3: Curtain Sensor</td>
<td>Immediately brake the slide if human entering press work area from loading/unloading side when slide moving downward.</td>
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<td>Feature 4: Safety Fence.</td>
<td>Fencing both side of the press machine press work area to avoid people entering from the side.</td>
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<td>Feature 5: Gate Safety Plug</td>
<td>To shut off robot and press machine when entering robot envelop area through gate.</td>
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<td>Feature 6: Safety Block</td>
<td>To shut off the main motor and stop flywheel. To support slide and upper dies static load.</td>
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<td>Feature 7: Emergency Stop Button</td>
<td>Shutdown the main motor when found any abnormal sound or in emergency situation.</td>
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Part 8 - SAFETY OPERATING PROCEDURES

IN OPERATIONS

A. BEFORE START WORKING

IMPORTANCE OF MACHINE OPERATION MANUAL

1. Understand operation manual contents

   - Read the manual before turning on the power or touching switches. Operate the machine by following the instructions in the manual. Avoid from doing anything that is not mentioned in the manual.

   - Know potentially hazardous sections of the machine and how they could be hazardous. Understand how to avoid these hazards and then how to treat an injured person in case of emergency.

   - Never operate the machine based on your own judgment or assumption.

   - If instructions in the manual are not understandable or machine operation methods are not clear, immediately contact your supervisor or your local distributor for any doubt.

   - Choose personnel to be in charge of keeping the manual safely. This manual must always be kept in the designated place.
• If the manual is damaged or lost, relay the machine model name and the serial number to your local distributor.

• Only qualified personnel trained for the machine’s correct operation with sufficient knowledge for the safety as well as authorized by user’s safety supervisor can operate the machine. Ignoring this instruction could result in death or serious injury.

• Especially for electric devices, only electrical experts with official qualification can service them. Ignoring this instruction will result in lethal accidents.

FUNCTION OF EMERGENCY STOP

2. Know how to emergency stop the machine

1. Exactly know the location of the Emergency Stop buttons and its operation method in case of emergency before operating the machine.

2. If a hazard is predicted or caused actually:
   a) Press the Emergency Stop button immediately.
   b) Cry out to ask people for help.
   c) If there is an injured person, administer first aid to him/her as necessary.
   d) Contact your supervisor immediately.

IMPORTANCE OF PPE

1. PPE for operation and maintenance activity
   1. Wear a hard helmet, safety glass (goggle), safety shoe, ear plug, mask or glove when operating or servicing the machine.
2. Bundle a long hair neatly and cover it with a helmet to avoid being entangled in the machine.

3. Never wear clothes with loose bottoms or sleeves to avoid being caught in the machine.

Figure 27 Use of PPE

B. OPERATING MACHINE

1. When starting operation
   - With the selector switch in operation mode remove the key and kept by an authorized person.
   - Never use the INCH mode for production. INCH has no safety feature and must be used only for die changing and maintenance.
   - Use a double push button for production.
   - Be sure to execute a daily check every day before operations in order to recognize sudden malfunction.
   - Never operate the press with the control panel door open.
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• Never start the press if a **WARNING TAG** has been attached to the display panel.

• Never use the press with a load that exceeds its capacity or the upper die weight as stated in the manual.

2. During operation

1. Follow all the instruction in the SOP
2. Make sure all safety features are functioning accordingly
3. Do not remove, bypass or modified any safety features.
4. Never damage, remove or relocate any part of protective components or interlocks of this machine. Never operate the machine with any high-voltage terminal exposed.
5. Before operation, check that there is no obstruction on/in the machine and its moving area.
6. Never make access to the machine moving area during operation.
7. Never open any cover or door during operation.
8. If the machine stops abruptly during operation, never restart operation until the cause of trouble is removed and restarting procedure is understood.

3. Finishing Operation

1. Check that the machine and optional devices are at a complete standstill and shut off the power following the designated procedure.
2. Always wear a helmet, safety glasses and leather gloves when involving scattering metal chips or cleaning the machine with compressed air.
3. Remove the keys from the switches and keep them with an authorized person.

C. MAINTENANCE OF MACHINE

Maintenance and servicing on machine must be done to ensure that the clutch and brake operates as intended or designed. This clutch and brake system includes the following;

• Maintenance of clutch and brake unit
• Press safety valve (hydraulic or pneumatic)
• Electrical control unit
• Cam switch is functioning precisely
• Air receiver tank and system is free from water
• Hydraulic power unit and system is functioning and free from any contaminant
When conducting maintenance works

1. Maintenance and servicing schedule must be formulated according to manufacturer operation manual or to any best practice.
2. Only qualified and competent personnel can do the maintenance works.
3. Machine should be isolated from source of energy during maintenance and servicing.
4. Put up “WARNING TAG” or placard saying “SERVICING” or apply LOTO system when needed.
5. It is highly recommended to have buddy system to carry out the task.
6. Always wear a helmet, safety shoe, safety glass (goggle), mask and glove.

Turning ON/OFF power of machine

1. Cables and wires with damaged film will cause electric leakage or shock. Double-check that there is no damage on cables and wires. If any, ask qualified electric experts for correct actions.
2. Always close and lock control cabinet doors completely before turning on the power.
3. Always obey the Turning On/Off Power instructions described in the Operation Manual.
4. Check that protective components and interlocks work correctly. For any trouble, ask the qualified maintenance personnel for correct actions or contact your local distributor immediately.
5. All covers must be in place without damage.
6. Check the following after turning on the power.
   a. Pneumatic pressure level is appropriate.
   b. No abnormal sound is heard from motors or gear sections.
   c. Cooling fans in the control cabinet are rotating.
7. Undertake the daily checkup listed in the Operation Manual.
8. When the machine is to be operated after a long interval, check that the motions, sound and lubrication condition on slide ways have no trouble. If you suspect any trouble, turn off the power and ask qualified maintenance personnel for correct actions.
Precaution for maintenance and operator

1. Always wear gloves when touching the die during operation.
2. Never leave any tool or measuring instrument inside the machine during operation.
3. Throw away metal chips regularly. Never leave chips piled inside the machine.
4. Never remove metal chips with bare hands. When removing them, wear gloves and use brushes.
5. Stop operating the machine immediately and contact your supervisor if you suspect malfunction.

Others - Changing Die

1. Only qualified personnel can carry out hoisting or use cranes or forklifts.
2. Never load the upper die exceeding the rated weight.
3. Press the EMG. STOP button, turn the selector key to the OFF mode and be sure to carry the key with you before making an access to the die area.
4. Never put your hands or any other part of your body into the die area while the motor remains ON or either the slide or the die is not securely blocked.
5. Be sure to securely lock the slide (where available) and double check that the SLIDE LOCK lamp is lit when having to enter the die area.
6. Always put up a WARNING TAG on the control panel to alert others that you are working on the press. Arrange some more tags around the machine as necessary.
7. Make sure that the chain slings or ropes are adequate for the die’s weight.
8. Remove all remaining materials and tools out of the die area, clean the die set, the slide and the bolster surface to assure correct alignment of the die set.
9. Use adequate tools for the job and always make sure all fixing bolts or clamps are securely fastened.

Part 9 - PRESS MACHINE INSPECTION

THE NEED FOR PRESS MACHINE INSPECTION

a) Dust and extreme heat generated during press machine operation, the machine begins to corrode, wear-out and fracture.
b) A decrease in its functionality and increase the possibility of malfunction and/or breakdown.

Therefore, to be able to use the machinery safely by maintaining its condition, it is necessary to inspect the machinery periodically to detect and recover any damage/abrasion at an early stage.

ESTABLISHING A SAFETY INSPECTION PLAN

The purpose is:-

- To maintain the safety and functionality of the machinery.
- To enforce the safety inspection plan continuously year-round as part of standard practice.

For this to become standard policy, it is necessary for management to recognize the importance of the inspection. In the following section, let examine various concerns when establishing and systemizing a successful safety inspection plan.

PROVIDING A POWER PRESS SUPERVISOR

The in-house designated power press supervisor would begin to overlook the potential dangers due to the effect of the pressures of business and the daily inspection becoming routine. Therefore to get an objective inspection, the desirable solution is to call for an established safety personnel or an outside specialist whenever the demand arises to estimate the validity of the in-house inspection and to give advises towards future inspections.

PROVIDING THE CONTENT AND METHOD OF INSPECTION

An inspection checklist consisting of all necessary focal points of the machine must be provided and make known to all operators.

- Continuous education is still needed to detect new dangers within the work place even though the checklist is a good guideline.
- A method of inspection must be established to ensure a complete and thorough inspection and also to secure the safety of the worker and inspector.
- To avoid potential hazards during safety inspection, it is necessary to establish an efficient safety inspection method with taking into consideration the structure and material of the machine.

SETTING THE INSPECTION TIME FRAME

Safety inspections should be executed periodically within a set range of time dependent
on the object being inspected. The objective and date or time of the inspection should be planned in advance.

Daily inspection takes place before the use of general machinery. If the machinery poses any danger to the operator, they are inspected monthly. A demo inspection takes place once a month. An inspection that attempts to cover the entire premise takes place once a year.

CORRECTIONS BASED ON THE RESULT OF INSPECTION

The goal of safety inspection is to implement methods of accident prevention and to maintain the condition of the machinery by discovering the safety hazards and repairing its condition immediately. To efficiently maintain and repair the machinery, a systemized procedure and confirmation method of the result is developed.

• Establishing a Confirmation Method.

  The accident recurrence prevention-measure is divided into two groups, the “symptomatic-therapy” and “cause-removal”. An optimum prevention-measure finds a balance between the two measures. The symptomatic-therapy measure removes the unsafe condition temporarily, while the cause-removal measure attempts to radically remove the cause of the problem.

• Confirmation of the Improvements.

  Confirmation of the improvements should occur at the line by the workers. The designated supervisor should report the results to management, so the management can confirm the results.

PRESERVING THE RESULT OF INSPECTION

After eliminating the safety-hazards and problems, it is important to organize and collect the resulting data for future reference. The collected data can help to show which parts are frequently replaced, specifics of the machine etc, thus making future inspection more efficient.

MATTERS TO CONSIDER BEFORE AN INSPECTION

The following should be considered before an inspection.

a. The power press supervisor should communicate with the workers, educate them about the purpose of the inspection and ask for their cooperation.

b. When re-inspecting areas with history of defects, the power press supervisor should confirm the elimination of the defects.

c. If a defect is found on one machine, inspect the others for the same defect.

d. When a defect is found, do not simply fix the situation. The power press supervisor
should investigate the cause of the result and implement the radical improvements. Then use fundamental-measures (change of layout, improving work methods, etc.) to eliminate the possibility of similar defects.

e. Do not overlook the small parts. Many major accidents were caused by small and seem to be unimportant parts

Part 10 - CHECKLIST FOR INSPECTION, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE.

A. Safety inspection & Operation checklist

It is important for the safety operation of the press machine is working accordingly. Therefore be sure to carry out the following inspection with the other inspections. User (operator and/or power press supervisor) should do the inspection by own or consult with the maker/manufacturer (if necessary) especially involving major maintenance activities. Frequency of inspection will be based on the framework suggested in Part 5 Press Machine Inspection and please refer to “Do and Don’t” of Part 10 Safety Information for detail. Suggested format is shown below.

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<td>Only competent staff keep the key</td>
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<td>(2 push button) and only function in simultaneous mode.</td>
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<td>- Ring cover must be higher than Push Start Button</td>
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<td>ESB are function properly</td>
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<td>- Main motor will not ON when Emergency Stop Button is pushed</td>
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<td>4a All machine must be equipped with Safety Light Curtain Sensor (Large/Medium: 4 sensor/machine Small: 2 sensors/machine)</td>
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<td>4b Safety Light Curtain Sensor are function properly - Clutch &amp; Brake STOP when sensor is activated</td>
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<td>5 DIES SAFETY BLOCK</td>
<td>5a All machine must equipped with Safety Block</td>
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<td>5b Safety Block is connected with Safety Plug - Main motor STOP when Safety Block/Plug pulled out</td>
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<td>5c Safety Block location near machine and easy to reach; no interference</td>
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<td>5d Small Press Safety Block requirement minimum 1 block (sharing)</td>
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<td>5e Safety Block must be kept by Maintenance</td>
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<td>5f SOP and Rules are available</td>
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<td>6 SAFETY MOVABLE / FIXED FENCE</td>
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<td>6b All Safety Movable Fence are function properly - Clutch &amp; Brake not activate when Safety Movable Fence not close/down</td>
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<td>6c Small Press All machine must equipped with Safety fencing (side &amp; back)</td>
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<td>6d Safety Movable Fence/Fixed Fence must be lock during operation</td>
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<td>7 GATE SAFETY PLUG (FOR ROBOTIC OPERATION)</td>
<td>Interlocking system available and functioning as per designed.</td>
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<td>8 SCRAP FLOW</td>
<td>8a Each process must have scrap chute</td>
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<td>8b Scrap flow is properly managed (scrap not scatter on the platform or near working area)</td>
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<td>8c For Large &amp; Medium Press, scrap must smoothly get into scrap conveyer.</td>
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<td>8d For Small Press, each machine must have scrap bin and properly manage</td>
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<td>WORKING PLATFORM</td>
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<td>Working platform must suitable with operator height (prevent unbalance during part handling)</td>
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<td>Maintenance on clutch and brake unit</td>
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<td>a. Wear and tear on Clutch and Brake Friction Disk and other components should be not beyond manufacturer allowable limit.</td>
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<td>b. No sign of distortion and other defects on spring stiffness and length.</td>
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<td>c. Internally, it is clean and no sign of abrasion of friction disk or any other foreign material</td>
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<td><strong>2</strong></td>
<td>Press (solenoid) safety valve (hydraulic or pneumatic)</td>
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<td>a. Spring in good condition (return to original length)</td>
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<td>b. Solenoid activated and move smoothly with no sign of wear and tear</td>
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<td>c. No sign of fatigue on rubber component</td>
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<td>d. Internally, no trace of water regardless it is hydraulic or pneumatic</td>
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<td>Electrical control unit</td>
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<td>b. Relay and other PLC should be connected properly for smooth notification upon even.</td>
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<td><strong>4</strong></td>
<td>Cam switch is functioning precisely</td>
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<td>a. All related holding screws, gear and bracket of switch should be tightened adequately.</td>
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<td>b. Check the limit switches for stoppage at top dead center (cycle stop) and for restarting prevention (anti-repeat)</td>
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<td><strong>5</strong></td>
<td>Air receiver tank and system is free from water</td>
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<td>a. There should be no sign of water trap in the system</td>
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<td>b. Trapped water should be drained manually or automatically.</td>
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<td>c. If dryer is provided, check that dryer is functioning.</td>
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<td><strong>6</strong></td>
<td>Hydraulic power unit and system is functioning and free from any contaminant</td>
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<td>a. Pressure on filter should be maintained at designated pressure. Abnormal pressure indicate clogged filter.</td>
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<td>b. Oil change must be performed at manufacturer recommendation.</td>
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C. Critical Parts Replacement Timing

There are parts from press machine are required to be inspected regularly and need to be replaced accordingly due to safety reasons. Failed to conduct the maintenance activity may expose the users to accident if some of the parts broken during the operation or doing maintenance activity.

Example of Typical Mechanical press

(Please refer to manufacturer recommendation for detail)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>NO</th>
<th>ITEM</th>
<th>TYPE OF INSPECTION</th>
<th>LIFETIME / REPLACEMENT CYCLE</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Clutch and brake</td>
<td>Inspection and repair of diaphragm and lining.</td>
<td>5 years</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Clutch</td>
<td>Renewal of clutch drive parts</td>
<td>15 years</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Brake</td>
<td>Renewal of brake drive parts</td>
<td>15 years</td>
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<td>Press drive gear and axes</td>
<td>Inspection and repair of crown drive parts</td>
<td>5 years</td>
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<td>Renewal of crown drive parts</td>
<td>20 years</td>
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<td>Renewal of crown main gear and drum</td>
<td>25 years</td>
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<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Inching device</td>
<td>Inspection and repair of crown drive parts</td>
<td>5 years</td>
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<td>Renewal inching drive parts</td>
<td>15 years</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Main motor</td>
<td>Overhaul of main motor</td>
<td>5 years</td>
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<td>Renewal of main motor</td>
<td>15 years</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Balancer</td>
<td>Inspection and repair of balancer units</td>
<td>5 years</td>
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<td>Renewal of Rod, piston and cylinder</td>
<td>15 years</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Electric parts</td>
<td>Replacement of electrical parts</td>
<td>10 years</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>PLC</td>
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Part 11 - SAFETY INFORMATION’S

Safety awareness of press machine can easily be communicated to employee through safety information. Safety signage and safety area identification is effective visual safety information. Effective visual safety information contain of photo and graphic explained by a simple word. There are 3 type of safety information on use of press machine:

- Safety signage
- Bolster ‘in and out’ area identification
- Safety board Information (Do’s and Don’ts)

Employers must compile written safety information on power press before conducting any press work. The compilation of written safety information will help the employer and the employees involved in operating the power press to identify and understand the hazards posed by the machine. Safety information must include information on the hazards of the press machine.

SAFETY SIGNAGE

Safety signages give a specific message to those who may be exposed to hazards in the workplace and must be followed. Sizes and information on the signage must be easily understood by all operators. Examples of this safety signage are as follow:

- Examples of press machines safety feature signages :

- Example press shop PPE signage :

![Safety signage examples](image-url)
• Example hazard area signage in the press shop:

![Figure 28 Examples of Safety Signages]

**BOLSTER ‘IN AND OUT’ AREA IDENTIFICATION**

Press machine with moving bolster in and out is identified as accident prone area. The hazard on this area is the possibility hit by the bolster while moving in and out and the floor surface of this area is oily and slippery. This area must be clearly marked with black/yellow line to indicate that the present physical or health risk to operators and extra caution must be exercised.

![Figure 28 Marked Area For Moving In And Out Of Bolster]

**SAFETY BOARD INFORMATION (DO’S AND DON’T).**

Safety awareness for Press Machine Safety Feature can be communicated to all Press Line employees through safety board information near the press line. The safety feature information must be simple word with graphic or photo. The best practice is ‘DO and DON’T’. There are few formats available but industry may use the following format:
SELECTOR SWITCH

**DO:**
1. Ensure only Competent staff keep the key.
2. Ensure only Competent staff verify the safety at every change of operation mode.
3. Ensure selection in OFF mode if machine not in use.

**DO NOT:**
1. Use when Selector Handle damage.
2. Let the Label damage or faded.
3. Use other than key to lock and unlock.
4. Use the key when it is damaged.
DOUBLE PUSH START BUTTON

DO:
1. Ensure simultaneous function
2. Ensure Anti – repeat function
3. Ensure functioning of Emergency Stop Button

DO NOT:
1. Use when Green Button higher than ring or no cover.
2. Bridge the operation with single hand
3. Use when Height and position wrong setting.
4. Use Stand which is not stable and easily topple.
SAFETY LIGHT CURTAIN

**DO:**
1. Ensure the slide (ram) immediately stop downward movement when the safety curtain is blocked.
2. Distance from the slide must protect shoulder and head.
3. The height of the safety curtain must protect any normal access to danger zone.
4. Must not function while slide moving upward.
5. Clean the light beam sensors and other peripheral device.

**DO NOT:**
1. Let the controller label not clear or missing.
2. Let the Controller Indicator lamp blown.
3. Allow the Leader or responsible person to leave the selector/setting key at controller.
4. Let the Device Controller unprotected and expose to damage.
5. Install controller in hidden position (operator/inspector may not be able to see indicator for function confirmation).
SAFETY MOVABLE / FIXED FENCE

DO:
1. Fixed bed machine for manual fed or coil fed must have fixed side safety fence.
2. Moveable bolster must use electrical interlock safety gate of safety movable fence.

DO NOT:
1. By pass the limit switch and leave interlock safety gate of movable fence open.
2. Remove/dismantle fixed safety fence.
3. Wrong grid dimension resulted hand can reach danger zone.
## GATE SAFETY PLUG

For robot automation handling

### DO :
1. Ensure every safety fence hinges door have safety plug.
2. Ensure robot off when un-plug the safety plug.
3. Ensure enter robot area from the safety fence door.

### DO NOT :
1. Let the chain or wire rope too long to avoid people slip through the fence to the robot area without unplug the safety plug.
2. Let the chain or wire rope detach or broken.
3. Climb the safety fence to enter the robot area.
DO:
1. Ensure Safety Block complete with Safety Plug.
2. Use Safety Block when performing any task other than normal production (eg. Repair/clean/check die) in the Hazard Area.
3. Ensure operator get permission from Authorized Staff to use this safety block.
4. Ensure operation selector switch at OFF mode.
5. Put the safety block on the lower dies at designated area to ensure not topple.
6. Ensure once unplug the safety block the main motor indicator off and RPM at Zero reading.

DO NOT:
1. Work inside press work area (hazard area) without Safety Block.
2. Use safety block without safety plug attached with it.
3. Use safety block without permission from competent staff.
EMERGENCY STOP BUTTON (ESB)

**DO:**
1. Press this button when anything regarding people or machine poses threat or safety (abnormality).
2. Ensure ESB must be in RED and twist release or latch type.
3. Ensure the colour and label is clear for all ESB on all machines.
4. Ensure ESB is easily reachable and normally located at operator operation area such as push start button and operation panel.

**DO NOT:**
1. Use ESB except for emergency case.
2. Use broken/damaged ESB.

![Emergency stop button](image)

- Push start button
- Operation panel
- Control panel

- Emergency stop button at push start button.
- Emergency stop button at operation panel

**Emergency stop button specification**
- Label: red colour
- Red colour: yellow colour

**Emergency stop button not follow color and label specification**
Part 12 - TRAINING ON SAFE USE OF PRESS MACHINE

It is the employer’s legal responsibility to educate employees on all workplace safety standards and the hazards that their employees may face while on job. Training is important to ensure that personnel are provided with the knowledge and skills to work competently and in a safe manner.

An effective training program can reduce the number of injuries and deaths, property damage, legal liability, illnesses, workers’ compensation claims, and missed time from work. The requirement from OSHA’s belief that training is an essential part of every employer’s safety and health program for protecting workers from injuries and illnesses.

The training on press machine given to workers will be based on the existing competency of workers and other competency needed to operate, supervise or manage the use of press machine.

SAFETY TRAINING MATRIX ON PRESS MACHINE

Training matrix is a very effective planning and communication tool used by an organization to manage and monitor their safety and other training needs. It can also be used for quickly determine who has been trained, when they were trained, what gaps there are in their training, scheduling training and allocating resources. A safety training matrix can also be used for employee development and performance evaluation.

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<td>Tool Makers, Tooling Engineers, Specialist, Supervisor</td>
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<td>Tool setters, Die setters, Machine setters, Production supervisors</td>
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<td>Maintenance Personnel</td>
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TRAINING METHODS

This ensures that personnel become productive as quickly as possible. It can avoid costly mistakes by recruits not knowing the procedures or techniques of their new jobs. The methods of the training includes:

- Job rotation arrangement by supervisors or management representatives to gain experience of operational machine
- Training by machine supplier
- Daily safety briefing
- Practical demonstrations by supervisor and competent personnel
- In-house training, using an internal and external competent personnel
- Periodic refresher training
- Delegation of specific tasks
- Sharing information among operators and supervisors regarding press machine safety

WHEN RETRAINING IS NEEDED?

Retraining is needed when there is a changed in:

- the risks to which people are exposed
- technology or installation of new equipment
- system of work

Part 13 – REFERENCES

- Factories and Machinery Act, 1967 (Act 139)
- Occupational Safety and Health Acts 1994 (Act 514)
- SOCSO Accident Statistics
- The Power Press Machine, Specific Voluntary Inspection Manual
- Safety Distance for Guard and Beam Type Press Machine
- Malaysia Automotive Institute Press Shop Training Modules
### Part 5 Press Machine Hazards and Risk Management

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| • Describe the activities at workstation  
• Specific area to focus | Describe the personnel’s that doing the activities | • Identify the potential hazard or incident.  
• Prioritizes the hazard | • Describe the risk and  
• Describe the consequence | • Describe the most practical way to manage and control the risks.  
• Management to approve the control measure and review by safety committee members |

### SELECTED EXAMPLE OF PRESS MACHINE HAZARDS AND CONTROL MEASURES (OPERATION)

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| 1.7 | Process 1:  
Manual feed material / Eject material to next stage  
Transfer material by conveyor to Op20 | Operators • Leader s | Hand caught between dies • Hand caught in conveyor belt | Severe injury | Trained operator to do Process 1  
Follow SOP & PPE  
Used kicker /lifter  
Used physical guard |
| 1.8 | Op20:  
Manual pick & place material / Transfer material by conveyor | Operators • Leader s | Hand caught between dies • Hand caught in conveyor belt | Severe injury | Trained operator to do Op20  
Follow SOP & PPE  
Used kicker /lifter  
Used physical guard |
| 1.9 | Op30:  
Manual pick & place material / Transfer material by conveyor | Operators • Leader s | Hand caught between dies • Hand caught in conveyor belt | Severe injury | Trained operator to do Op30  
Follow SOP & PPE  
Used kicker /lifter  
Used physical guard |
| 1.10 | Op40:  
Manual pick & place material / Transfer material by conveyor | Operators • Leader s | Hand caught between dies • Hand caught in conveyor belt | Severe injury | Trained operator to do Op40  
Follow SOP & PPE  
Used kicker /lifter  
Used physical guard |
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| A  | Repair Maintenance (Electrical) | • Technicians  
• Engineers  
• Contractors | • High voltage  
• Low voltage  
• Work at height  
• Slippery  
• Limited space & unbalance  
• Expose live wires | • Severe burns  
• Shock  
• Fall - severe injury | • Trained technicians and used of correct PPE and tools.  
• Study the manual  
• Shut of power supply  
• Apply buddy system  
• Display placard warning sign.  
• Avoid unauthorized modification on wiring / PLC |
| 1  | Repair Maintenance on live equipment |  
1. Primary & secondary power at operation panel  
2. Electrical items in the main operation panel and sub operation panel  
3. Checking and testing switches, relays, sensors, limit switches and solenoid valves. |  |  | |
|    | Repair Maintenance (mechanical) |  
1.1 Flywheel & Belting | • Technician  
• Engineer  
• Contractors | • Work at height  
• Rotating object  
• Limited work space & unbalance  
• Slippery | • Entangled – severe injury  
• Fall – severe injury | • Trained technicians  
• Study the maintenance manual  
• Follow SOP & use PPE  
• Apply buddy system  
• Perform Take-2 |
|    | Clutch & Brake: inspection, monitoring and testing | • Technician  
• Engineer  
• Contractors | • Work at height  
• Rotating object  
• Actuated object  
• Limited work space & unbalance  
• Slippery  
• High pressure hose | • Entangled – severe injury  
• Pinched–severe injury  
• Fall – severe injury  
• Pressurize – severe injury | • Trained technicians  
• Study the maintenance manual  
• Follow SOP & use of PPE  
• Apply buddy system  
• Perform Take-2 |
|    | Lubricating system and fitting | • Technician  
• Engineer  
• Contractors | • Work at height  
• Rotating object  
• Actuated object  
• Limited work space & unbalance  
• Slippery | • Entangled – severe injury  
• Pinched–severe injury  
• Fall – severe injury | • Trained technicians  
• Study the maintenance manual  
• Follow SOP & use of PPE  
• Apply buddy system  
• Perform Take-2 |
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