

Hazard Review

- **Moving Traffic**
- **Cuts**
- **Falls**
- **Falling Objects**

Related Safe Work Practices

- **Ladders**
- **Hand Tools**

Required Personal Protective Equipment

- **Safety Glasses**
- **Heavy Duty Work Boots**
- **Leather Gloves**
- **Safety Vest**

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BEFORE

1. Don the personal protective equipment as noted above to prevent personal injury.
2. Isolate the work area from the public, using cones, tape or another means.
3. Follow proper guidelines for safe hand tool use (see *Hand Tools*) and ladder use (see *Ladders*).
4. Keep the public clear of the work site in order to maintain a safe working environment.
5. Where possible, measure the amount of strap needed for the job before attachment, thereby reducing the amount of extra strap that will be hanging from the banding vice bandit.
6. When performing the task be aware of the strap scrap and sharp edges. Handle the strap with extra care to reduce the chances of cuts.

DURING

1. To avoid cuts, bend any excess strapping over itself when you are done tightening the strap.
2. Cut the strap carefully.
3. Hammer over the buckle ends to secure the strap.

AFTER

1. Collect the strap scrap into a container. Do not leave loose on ground or in truck.
2. Damaged material or equipment must be taken out of service.
3. Put equipment away.
4. Clean up work site ensuring all strap material has been removed.

*Remember: most injuries from banding occur from the strap material, both the new material and the scrap. The edges are **very sharp**. Therefore, be aware when handling the material, and also while storing it, so that someone else doesn't get injured.*