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Always wear eye protection and a NIOSH approved dust mask.



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Be certain the sanding belt or disc is correctly mounted.

- Make sure the adhesive is holding the disc tightly to the platen.
- The belt must track in the centers of the rollers and platen.



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Make sure the guards and worktable adjustments are securely locked.



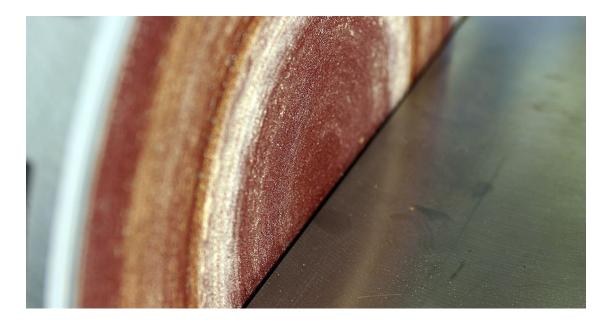
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Use the worktable, fence, and other guides to control the position of the work, whenever possible.



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Position the table 1/16 inch from the sanding belt or disc.



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FIRST Using a Power Sander Hold small or irregularly shaped

pieces in a hand clamp or make a special jig or fixture to hold them.



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Do not use power sanders to shape parts when the operations could be performed better using other machines.

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Sand only clean, new wood.

- Do not sand wood that has excessive glue or finish on the surface.
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- These materials will ruin the abrasive.



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Keep the stock in motion when sanding to prevent burning from friction.



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When sanding the end grain of narrow pieces on the belt sander, always support the work against the table.



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Feed the stock directly against the sanding belt. Never feed it in from the left or right as it may catch and rip or pull the belt off.



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Sand only on the side of the disc sander that is moving downward, toward the table.



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Check the rotation of the disc. Some rotate clockwise, others counterclock -wise.



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