

## Chainsaws

# Chainsaws - Handling, Transportation & Storage

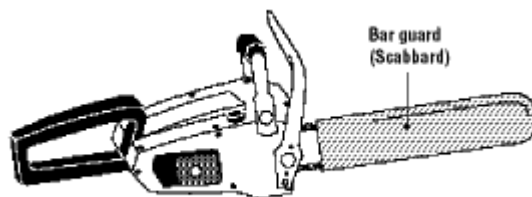
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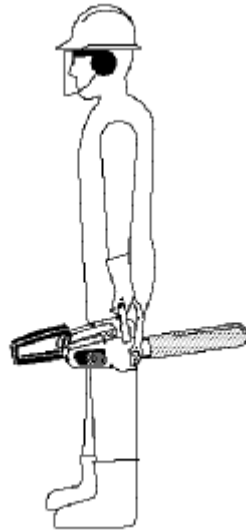
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### What are some safety tips for handling, transportation and storing?

- Handle chain saws safely to prevent injury to yourself or others.
- Shut off the chain saw motor before setting it down or carrying it for more than a very short distance. It is extremely dangerous to carry a chain saw when the engine is running.
- Let the chain saw cool before transporting.
- Engage the chain brake when carrying the chain saw
- Use a scabbard or bar guard to cover the chain when carrying or transporting a chain saw.



- Carry the chain saw with the bar pointed behind you. Ensure the scabbard is on and the muffler is away from the body.



- Use a carrying case to prevent damage to the saw during transit and storage. The case also provides convenient storage for the owners manual and tools.
- Secure the chain saw and carrying case during transportation to prevent them from moving.
- Drain all fuel into an approved safety container before storing the chain saw for long periods including starting the motor to empty fuel from the carburetor.
- Store your chain saw in a cool, dry place.
- Do not carry a chain saw on your shoulder unless the chain is properly guarded or removed.
- Do not transport a chain saw in the passenger compartment of a vehicle.
- Review the manufacturer's manual for additional safety instructions.

Refer to OSH Answers document [Chain Saws - Safe Use of Chain Saws](#) for more information.

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