## MACHINE GUARDING: The Basics What Would Cosmo Do?



Cosmo understands machine guarding Areas that require Safeguarding:

The Point of Operation - where work is performed on the material



Power transmission apparatus - all components of the mechanical system that transmit energy to the part of the machine performing work

Other moving parts - All parts of the machines that move while the machine is working

## **Safeguarding Requirements:**



Prevent Contact - Must prevent body parts from making contact with dangerous moving parts

Secure - Workers should not be able to easily remove or tamper with the safeguard

Protect from falling objects - Should ensure that no objects can fall into moving parts



objects can fall into moving parts

Create no new hazards -Defeats its own purpose if
it creates a hazard of its own

Create no inference - Any safeguard which
impedes performing the job might be overridden.

**Types of Hazardous Mechanical Motions:** 

**Reciprocating** Transversing

Rotating

**Types of Hazardous Mechanical Actions:** 

**Shearing** 

**Punching** 

**Bending** 

**Cutting** 

Workers who operate and maintain machinery suffer over 800 deaths annually.

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