



# JOB AID HAZARD AWARENESS INFO

## BOX CUTTERS

Box cutters are used to open corrugated cardboard boxes of different depths while protecting the products inside the box.

### Hazards Involved/Arise

- Box cutters can cause serious cuts as a result of the following:
  - Dull blade
  - Improper use
  - Improper storage
  - Improper cleaning
  - Improper handling



### People Affected

- Chefs
- Restaurant and food service employees
- Maintenance staff
- Stocking
- Receivers

### Existing Controls

- Use of box cutters that automatically retract
- Have replacement blades stocked and easily accessible so workers can replace them quickly
- Storage – ensure they are closed and locked before storing
- Ergonomic assessment – right knife for the right task
- Training on proper use, storage, cleaning
- Training on hazards and controls
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), e.g. cut-resistant gloves

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