

VISUAL STANDARD

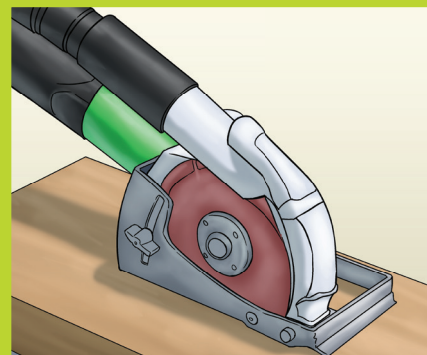
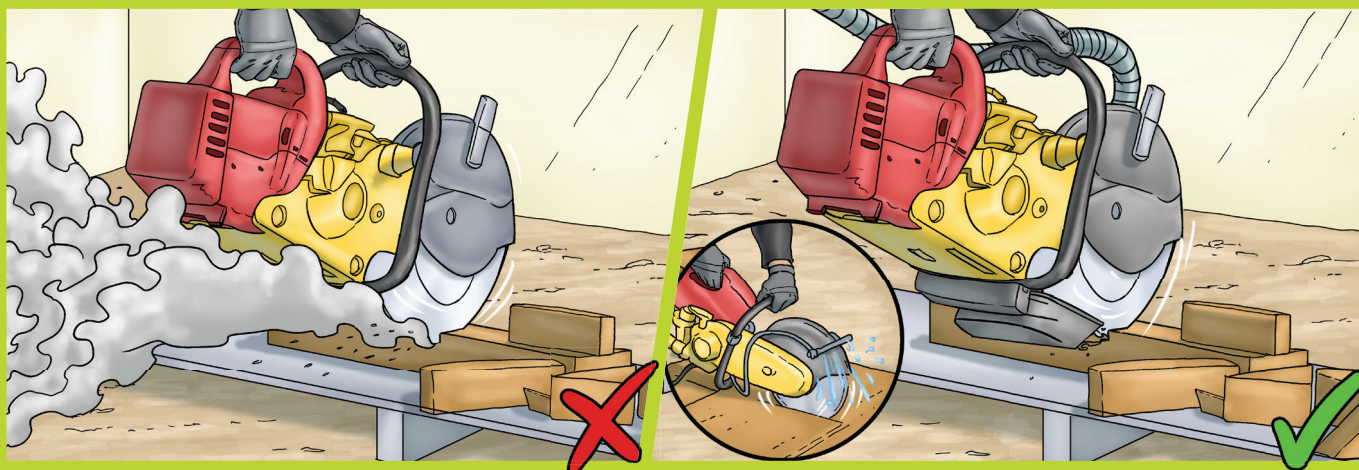
MANAGING DUST

Dust builds up in the lungs and while the effects may not immediately be obvious, over a prolonged period of time, exposure to high levels of dust can lead to permanent damage to the lungs and airways. The UK Construction sector has the largest number of reported cases of lung disease. These include chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma, lung cancer and silicosis.

KEY CONTROLS:

Sub-contractors **must**:

- Consider **off-site** cutting or manufacture.
- **Identify and risk assess** residual dust-producing activities.
- Provide and maintain **local exhaust ventilation** with a minimum of **M-class filtration**.
- Control dust at the source through the use of **on-tool extraction**, cutting cabinets and water suppression.
- In addition to the above, **RPE** will still be required.



SUB-CONTRACTOR PROFESSIONAL STANDARD:

The above items are representative of the minimum that are required by Wates from sub-contractors in the performance of its duties in meeting its obligations under the Sub-Contract while on site. They are a minimum standard of care for the activity or trade identified in the title of this page that are necessary to seek to protect against damage or injury to people and property. They are not intended as an exhaustive list, nor are they intended to define maximum limits of performance.

