

Pressure Washer Operation (Hot and Cold)

Safe Operating Procedures | Almond farms | English transcript

General information only. Your host will provide the exact site procedure, machine instructions, PPE requirements and practical training before you start work. This video does not authorise equipment operation.

0:04 Before you start

This video provides general information for workers on almond farms. Before you start work, your host employer will explain the exact safe operating procedure, machine instructions and personal protective equipment required at your site. This video supports training. It does not replace practical training, assessment, supervisor sign-off or a training record. English is the authoritative version.

0:39 Step 1

Pre start check - check for splits in hose, check power cord, plugs sockets and power outlet for obvious damage

Potential risk.

Electrocution

Cuts/abrasions

Slips/trips/falls

Risk treatment.

Ensure power is switched off at wall plug and machine is switched off

Wear gloves

Ensure hoses and power cords are rolled up and stored correctly

1:06 Step 2

Connect hose to pressure washer and turn tap on

Potential risk.

Machine can overheat causing damage

Risk treatment.

Ensure worker is competent and knows how to operate machine correctly

1:21 Step 3

Start pressure washer using cold water and detergent on low pressure setting

Potential risk.

Eye injuries - detergent

Slips/trips/falls

Noise levels

Risk treatment.

Wear positive seal safety glasses

Ensure hose is positioned behind worker so as not to trip

Wear earplugs

1:46 Step 4

Use pressure washer with hot water on high pressure setting

Potential risk.

Electrocution

Burns

High water pressure injuries

Eye injuries - debris

Slips/trips/falls

Noise levels

Damage to equipment from heat

Risk treatment.

Never direct spray at the machine itself or any other electrical item

Wear gloves

Never direct spray at yourself or other people. Barrier off workspace. If other people come into work space, stop and wait for them to exit

Wear positive seal safety glasses

Ensure hose is positioned behind worker so as not to trip

Wear earplugs

Ensure nozzle is minimum 60cm from equipment to avoid heat damage

2:39 Step 5

Use pressure washer with cold water on high pressure setting

Potential risk.

Electrocution

High water pressure injuries

Eye injuries - debris

Slips/trips/falls

Noise levels

Risk treatment.

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Never direct spray at yourself or other people. Barrier off workspace. If other people come into work space, stop and wait for them to exit

Wear positive seal safety glasses

Ensure hose is positioned behind worker so as not to trip

Wear earplugs

3:22 Step 6

Turn machine off and store correctly

Potential risk.

Slips/trips/falls

Machine damage

Electrocution

Risk treatment.

Turn machine off prior to turning off water supply

Turn off at power point and disconnect power lead, turn water supply tap off and disconnect hose

Ensure hose and electrical leads are rolled up neatly and stored securely out of walkways

Do not walk on, wheel objects over or drop materials on electrical cords or hoses

3:57 Step 7

Re fuelling machine

Potential risk.

Explosion

Risk treatment.

Use only diesel, using any other fuel will create a risk of explosion

4:10 Qualifications and experience

Qualifications and experience.

All employees / workers must be trained, hold relevant licenses and be assessed as competent before operating any equipment on host employer sites. there must be safety induction records with the workers name on the records. where licenses are required a copy of this must be on site file or personal file.

4:38 Duties and responsibilities

Duties and responsibilities.

All employees / workers must adhere to host employer policies and procedures and report any concerns and incidents immediately to their manager/ supervisor. It is the responsibility of both host employer onsite management and contractor companies to identify language barriers and provide interpreters where required.

all workers must have been inducted to the site and instructed on these Safe Operating Procedure's, signing off that they fully understand the job description and what it entails.

all workers must be issued with the correct ppe and shown how to use it correctly.

full instruction and physical demonstration of the job requirements.

workers to wear all ppe as required - positive seal safety glasses, hi visibility clothing, protective gloves, earplugs

5:41 Training required

Training required.

All employees / workers must have been inducted to the site and deemed competent in relevant Safe Operating Procedure and site traffic management plans. site managers must sign off all Safe Operating Procedure before employees / worker start work on site or equipment. training should be completed by a competent person or training organisation.

6:09 Codes of practice and legislation

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All employees / workers must adhere to codes of practice, standards and guideline, whs and ohs acts and regulations.

6:26 Plant, equipment and PPE

Plant, equipment and PPE.

Job specific protective personal equipment (ppe) must be identified and worn when required (i.e. positive sealed goggles with a strap when using compressed air). PPE is a shared responsibility between your host employer and Orchard Tech. Your host employer will provide the PPE required for your task. If the required PPE has not been supplied, stop work and contact Orchard Tech. workers to wear all outdoor ppe where required – wear positive sealed eye protection, gloves, hat, sun burn cream, steel capped boots, long sleeve shirts and long trousers. hi viz clothing must be worn at all times.

positive seal safety glasses, protective gloves, earplugs

7:23 Maintenance checks

Maintenance checks.

If a vehicle, plant, equipment or machinery is found to be defective or damaged, it must be tagged with 'out of service' tag until repaired and isolation register completed. daily pre-start/ pre-shift checks and post-checks if required are to be completed and recorded in all instances. maintenance teams are responsible for all maintenance on equipment. workers can only undertake maintenance if they have been adequately trained in the relevant process.

visual check for damaged hoses, electrical leads. check for sufficient fuel and oil.

8:08 Before work starts

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