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SMOHIT Safety Sense Toolbox Talks for the Sheet Metal Industry	<h3 style="margin: 0;">Pneumatic Tools</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pneumatic tools are powered by compressed air. These tools include air hammers, nail and staple guns, grinders, drills, rivet guns, sanders and wrenches. Read and become familiar with the manufacturer's guide before you use a pneumatic tool. Prolonged exposure to the noise generated by pneumatic tools can damage your hearing, and the compressed air may cause particles to become airborne and cause injury to your eyes. Wear the proper personal protection when using pneumatic tools, such as earplugs and safety glasses. Make sure you use the proper air pressure for the tool you are using. Too much air pressure could cause the tool to over-speed and break. Inadequate pressure could cause the tool to under perform. Make sure the hoses are the correct diameter and that they are not kinked, crushed or ripped. Never exceed the manufacturer's safe operating air pressure. Do not point pressurized air lines at your body or other workers. The pressurized air can cause injuries if it contacts unprotected body parts. Keep pneumatic tools clean and well lubricated. Make sure that the compressed air supplied to the tool is clean and dry. Dust, moisture and corrosive fumes can damage pneumatic tools. Do not use pneumatic tools for cleaning unless there is limited pressure and the proper attachment. If you must use pneumatic tools for cleaning, make sure that the pressure is below 30 psi and ensure that the area is clear of workers. Turn off the air pressure when you are not using the tool. 	<h3 style="margin: 0;">Instructor Tips</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate the proper inspection of pneumatic tools and hoses. Demonstrate the proper way to clean and lubricate pneumatic tools. Point out that only those attachments specifically designed for the tools should be used.
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