

Competency Checklist: Band Saw

Student Name:

Instructor name:

Date:

SET-UP

	Mark intended cut on material to be cut
	Confirm blade on machine is appropriate for material
	Adjust height of the blade guard to 1/4 inch above work piece
	Adjust fence to use as a guide for straight cut if necessary
	If material is round, use a vise to stabilize while cutting
	Double check that all components of machine are tightened and secure
	Check that you have secured clothing, jewelry, hair, etc. that will get close to the machine
	Put on safety glasses, ear protection, and dust mask as needed

OPERATION

	Turn on machine
	Hold part firmly against the table and gently feed material through; let the machine do the cutting
	Use scrap wood to push piece near end; avoid putting hands near active blade
	Check that the material supported when you release it
	Turn off machine; let blade stop moving completely before moving self or work piece
	Remove all scrap material from workstation for the next user