

# Landscaping – Working with Hand Tools

## Picture This





The worker is trimming bushes with manual shears while wearing open-toe sandals, which is very unsafe. His feet are fully exposed to sharp blades, falling branches, insects, and uneven surfaces. There are no gloves or safety glasses in use, increasing the risk of hand injuries and eye damage from flying debris. Kneeling without padding on rough ground can also cause strain or injury to the knees over time.

To work safely with hand tools, workers must wear closed-toe, slip-resistant boots, protective gloves, and safety goggles. All tools should be inspected before use to ensure they are in good condition. Proper grip, controlled movements, and good posture help prevent strain and fatigue. Following safe lifting, cutting, and tool storage practices is essential to avoid accidents and injuries in landscaping tasks.