Safety Checklist for Machinery

If you work around or on moving machinery, take a minute to review these tips for safety:

- Operate machinery only if you are authorized and trained to do so. Study the manufacturer's operating manual.
- Know how to stop the machinery before you start it.
- Make sure all machine guards are fitted correctly and securely and are maintained in good working order.
- Never attempt to start a machine which has a lockout tag on it.
- Determine if the machine is working properly. Inform your supervisor if you discover any problems.
- Check to see if the area around the machine is tidy and free of obstruction.
- Wear the required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) such as safety footwear and eyewear.
- Do not wear loose items including gloves, dangling chains, rings or unrestrained long hair. These could get caught in the moving parts and pull you in.

Stop and think before operating machinery. Use a checklist to ensure safe working conditions.