The purpose of machine guarding is to protect the operator and other employees in the work area from hazards created by ongoing nip points, rotating parts, flying chips and sparks.

**Point of Operation Guarding:** Area on the machine where work is performed. Machines that expose employees to injury must be guarded.

**Barrels, Containers, Drums:** Must be guarded by an enclosure interlocked with the drive mechanism, so the barrel, gun, or container cannot revolve unless the guard enclosure is in place.

**Exposure of Blades:** When the periphery of the blades of the fan is less than 7 feet above the floor or working level, the blades must be guarded. The guards must not have openings less than 1/2 inch.

**Anchoring Fixed Machinery:** A machine designed for a fixed location must be securely anchored to prevent walking or Moving.

**Eye and Face Protection:** Face and eye protection must be provided to each employee when exposed to eye and face hazards from flying particles.