



Safety in Floriculture “For Your Protection”

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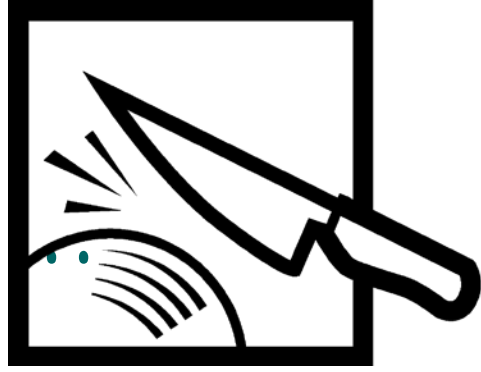
If there's a rule, there's a reason, I don't want you to get hurt.

- OVERALL RULES:

- Return all tools and supplies to their original location before leaving the class.
- ALL tools and supplies are to remain in the classroom at ALL times. (no borrowing)
- NEVER poke anyone with anything sharp.
- NEVER throw any supplies or tools.
 - They can hurt, blow up, or break!
- Use all tools ONLY as directed by the instructor.
- Be careful and pay attention when using dangerous items.
 - BE AWARE OF DANGER.
- Clean all tools when finished.
- If you aren't sure **how** to use something, or **if** you should use it, then ask!



Special Directions



- **KNIFE**

- Keep it sharp – dull knives are more dangerous than sharp knives.
- Keep fingers away from the edge of the blade.
- Do not leave a knife unattended on a table.
- Do not walk with a knife in your hand.
- Clean the knife before using... especially any oil.
- Do not talk with a knife in your hand.
- Do not put the knife in your pocket or bag.

Special Directions...



- FLORAL SHEARS/SCISSORS

- Do not cut anything other than flowers and supplies (not hair, not clothes, etc.)
- Do not use as a screwdriver.
- Do not put the shears in your pocket or bag.
- Dropping shears and scissors will break ends and destroy adjustment.
- Do not cut wire with scissors.
 - Use wire-cutters!



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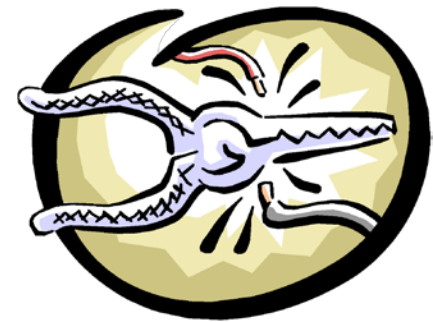
- HELIUM TANK AND BALLOONS

- Do not inhale gas.
 - Inhaling helium gas is against the law, it can cause brain damage and is cause for immediate suspension.
- Students must ask permission to use the tank.
- Open regulator before filling by turning valve $\frac{1}{2}$ turn.
- Close valve as soon as you are done filling a balloon.
- Do not adjust regulator.
- Do not move the tank.
- Tank must be secured at all times.
- Do not hammer on tank or regulator.
- Keep your face away from balloon while filling and working with it.
- Do not use metallic ribbon.
 - (the wires will pop the balloon)
- All mylar balloons must have a balloon weight attached to the end.

Special Directions...

- WIRE

- Do not waste it. Pick up what you drop on the floor.
- Do not mix the different sizes.
 - You will need to separate them if you mix them up.
- Cut wire has sharp ends.
- Always use a ½ piece of wire unless otherwise needed or directed.
 - (Full size wire is 18 inches.)

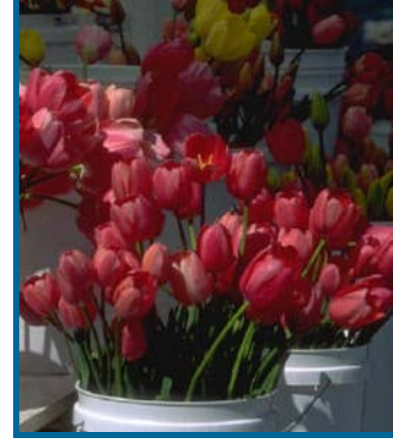


Special Directions...



- GLUE GUN - PAN GLUE
 - Do not lay down a hot glue gun if it is turned on.
 - Do not pull glue out of the back end of the glue gun.
 - Keep fingers away from the tip of a glue gun.
 - IT'S HOT!
 - Always work at the designated area when using glue gun or pan glue.
 - If glue gets on fingers, blow to cool it. Do not touch the glue (or you will burn both fingers)
 - After gun has cooled wrap the cord around the gun.
 - Leave applicator stick in the glue pan when not in use.
 - Remove extra glue from object before moving it from the pan.
 - (don't let the glue drip)
 - Do not leave the pan turned on if the glue level is low. Refill it.

Special Directions...



- COOLER

- Do not use the cooler without permission.
- Do not adjust the thermostat. It's set there for a reason.
- Clean up any mess or spill in or around the refrigerator. Water, flowers, foliage, and dirt are slippery when wet.
- Make sure all flowers in buckets are still in water when you pull some out.
 - (They tend to cling to each other, check that stems are underwater!)
- The cooler is not for personal use.
- No food may be placed in the cooler.

Special Directions...

- WATER

- If you get anything, including yourself wet, dry it off immediately.
- Do not drip flowers and foliage across the room when removing them from buckets.
- Water in buckets could have preservative in them, so do not drink the water.



Special Directions...



- AEROSOL CANS
- (PAINT, GLUE, CLEANER)
 - Keep away from heat sources.
 - Spray outside always unless instructed otherwise.
 - Do not spray towards yourself or someone else.
 - Do not spray near a building, sidewalk, plants, etc.
 - If you paint something that should not have been painted, you will need to repair the damage.
 - Spray away from the wind.

Aerosol Cans Continued...

- Clean glue cans before using, unclog the sprayer.
- Shake paint cans before use.
- Do not shake glue cans.
- Replace caps when not in use.
- Do not puncture cans.
- Do not throw cans away...
 - Return them to the instructor. (they must be recycled)
- Do not inhale fumes
 - – it is against the law and cause for immediate suspension.
- All floral aerosol cans are environmentally safe and have been for over 10 years.
- Use only as directed!
 - (this is not fashion design class, don't spray hair, clothes, shoes, etc.)

