

Making a Push Stick

If one thing should be on your list it definitely a push stick. Do not limit yourself to one model but rather to different shapes for various applications. The push stick can be built from scrap such as pieces of plywood.

The push stick below is very handy for ripping thin material on a table saw. Some manufacturers say that ripping material on a table saw that measures 5" or less in width requires a push stick. Generally that's the minimum rule, but one should keep in mind to compensate for the width of the hand.

Below is a diagram of one type of push stick. Adjust the dimensions to best suit your needs. Always be alert and work when you are fully rested.

