

Toledo Museum of Art – Blacksmithing/Sculpture Studio Safety Regulations Form

The following list of safety regulations for the use of the Blacksmithing / Sculpture studios area has been compiled with your safety in mind. Your cooperation in observing these rules will make for safe and efficient operation of these areas. These rules are not necessarily listed in order of importance.

The Museum reserves the right to refuse anyone who does not comply with the following rules and regulations the privilege of using these facilities. No refunds will be given. Before participating in any given class all students must fill out an emergency contact form and sign the waiver of liability.

1. **NO ONE IS TO WORK ALONE.**
2. No piece of equipment shall be used by any student without prior instruction in its use and the permission of the instructor.
3. Students without permission of an instructor or lab technician shall adjust none of the equipment. Any equipment problems should be reported to your instructor or a lab technician.
4. Report **ANY** injury, no matter how slight, that occurs within the class studios to your instructor, assistant or security (ext. 7330).
5. Be aware of your surroundings, while in studio.
6. Be cautious when handling tools in the studio, tools become hot very quickly.
7. When dealing with torches, welders, or forging, proper eye protection must be worn at all times.
8. When welding or using an oxy-acetylene torch, a welding jacket, hat, and welding gloves must be worn.
9. Close-toed shoes must be worn at all times; sandals of any type are **PROHIBITED** in Blacksmithing / Sculpture studios.
10. Eye protection must be worn at all times while working in the building.
11. Proper respirators must be worn during sandblasting and working where dust is created.
12. Long hair must be tied back. No loose clothing is permitted while working in building.
13. Synthetic clothing or materials are dangerous when working around heat. Only cotton or other natural fibers should be worn in the studio. No frayed or torn jeans, they are a fire hazard.
14. Make sure your work area is cleaned before leaving the studio.
15. All spectators will be asked to remain in a designated area while the studio is in operation.
16. Only registered students are allowed to work in these facilities.
17. Students are not allowed to come in and work outside of their designated class times unless given permission for an instructor or the studio manager.