## **Information Sheet 1**

## PORTABLE ROUTER SAFETY RULES

- 1. Follow general machine safety rules.
- 2. Unplug power cord when changing bits or adjusting the edge guide.
- 3. Keep the power cord away from the bit.
- 4. Always allow the motor to come to a complete stop before setting the router down.
- 5. Do not attempt to take too heavy a cut. Several light cuts may be necessary.
- 6. Feed the router opposite the direction of cutter rotation. Feed "with the grain" of the stock whenever possible. If you must "climb-cut", never remove more than 1/4" of material at a time.
- 7. Always check to see that the router is off before plugging in the power cord.
- 8. Hold the router with both hands at all times if possible.
- 9. Never turn the router on without a bit in the collet unless the collet and nut have been removed.
- 10. When using router base templates, be sure the bit does not interfere with the template guide.
- 11. Keep all ball-bearing pilots clean and lubricated.
- 12. LET THE ROUTER COME UP TO FULL SPEED BEFORE THE BIT TOUCHES THE MATERIAL