

# Hand Tool Selection Checklist



## **BENEFITS**

The use of hand tools, such as wrenches and hammers, is very common in many workplaces and industries. Such tools might not appear to pose many safety hazards. But if workers select the wrong hand tool or use it incorrectly, they're at risk of getting injured, such as developing musculoskeletal injuries (MSIs).

## **HOW TO USE THE TOOL**

Use this checklist to compare similar hand tools and select the most appropriate one for the job and the worker who'll be using it. Workers should use the tool that gets the most 'yes' answers. Adapt the checklist for your OHS program, the hand tools commonly used in your operations and the requirements for hand tools in your jurisdiction's OHS regulations.

## **OTHER RESOURCES:**

**[ChooseHandSafety.org](http://ChooseHandSafety.org)**