## DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING.

## PROCEDURAL INSTRUCTION.

## **GUIDE FOR WRITING SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURES**

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A safe operating procedure is to be written for every machine or experimental rig. If more than one experiment is undertaken on the same rig, a S.O.P must be written for each experiment. The S.O.P. must be laminated and affixed to the machine/equipment.

## INFORMATION REQUIRED.

- 1. Is operator training required to operate this machine/equipment, this would normally be yes.
- 2. Number of persons to be present when machine/equipment is operating.
- 3. What personal protective equipment if any is required.
- 4. If Hazardous Substances are involved, read Material Safety Data Sheets.
- 5. Pre-start up checks, if any are required.
- 6. Start up procedure.
- 7. Operating procedure.
- 8. Shut down procedure.
- 9. Emergency stop procedure.