

# **How to: Router Table**

#### Safety First!!!

USE: REMOVING MATERIAL FROM EDGES OF BOARDS

### Safety Considerations:

- 1. Always use eye and ear protection
- 2. Check board for loose knots, nails, rocks etc.
- 3. Let router come to full speed before starting
- 4. Never remove guards
- 5. Ensure safe/secure hand placement
- 6. Check height/depth of cut with a scrap piece of material.
  - \* If you are removing a significant amount of material, make multiple passes, raising the level of the cutting surface with each pass.
- 7. Feed material into the router bit from left to right
- 8. Keep piece flat against table top
- 9. Move piece in a continuous motion along the router bit
- 10. USE- feather board, push stick and/or tear out block

#### Rules and safety:

- 1. DO NOT force work pieces along the cutting surface.
- 2. Keep hands/fingers safe by utilizing a push stick and/or feather board to help move the piece along the cutting surface.

## Ask for Help

If you're unsure on safe operation procedures or have any questions, please ask for assistance from a shop steward or fellow maker. We're here to help!