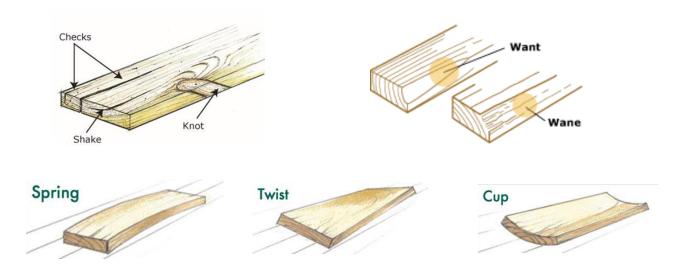
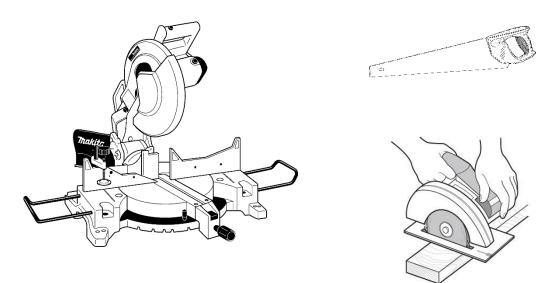
## DRESSING A PIECE OF WOOD PROCEDURE

**STEP 1.** Layout all the pieces of your project onto your rough stock minimizing waste. Allow an extra 1" in length and  $\frac{1}{2}$ " in width for machining.

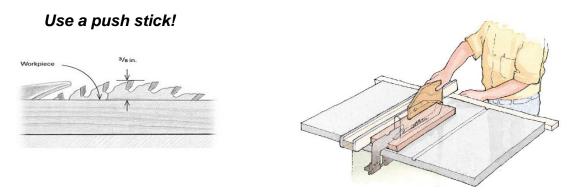
Check for any defects on **both sides** of the board such as knots, checks, wane, want, shake, rot, cup, twist, etc.



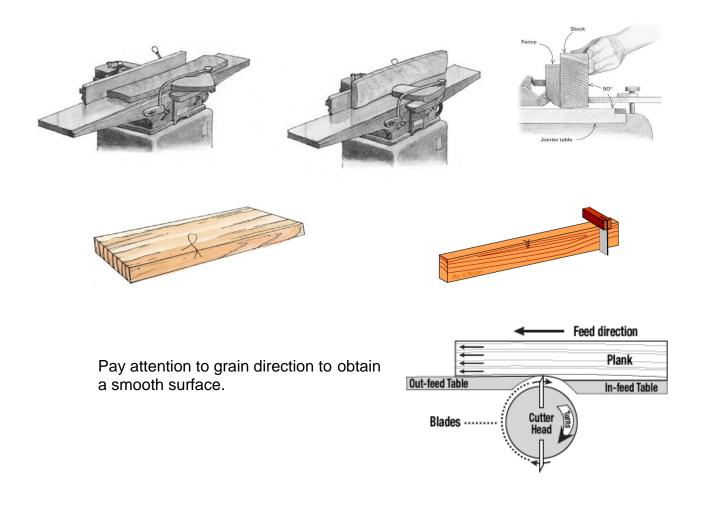
**STEP 2. CUT TO ROUGH LENGTH** (plus 1") on the mitre saw, with a hand saw or circular saw.



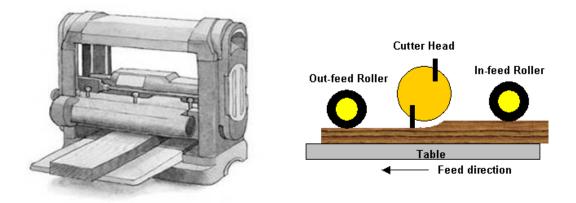
**STEP 3. RIP TO ROUGH WIDTH** (plus  $\frac{1}{2}$ ") on the table saw. Adjust blade height so that it is  $\frac{3}{8}$ " (just over one tooth) above the wood and no more.



**Step 4.** Joint a **FACE SIDE** and **FACE EDGE** on the Jointer. Mark the face side and face edge with a pencil for future reference. *The objective of this step is to machine two adjacent surfaces that are flat and 90 degrees to each other.* 

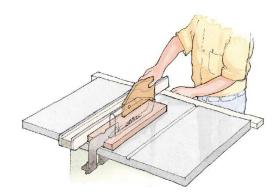


Original procedure by Kearney May 2015 Updated Sept 2017 by Steve Claassen **Step 5. PLANE TO THICKNESS**, plus 1/32" for sanding, on thickness planer. \*\* If gluing several boards together to form a panel, skip this step until after ripping to final width in STEP #6 below.

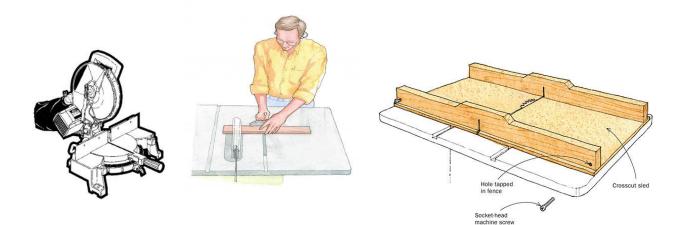


**Step 6. RIP TO FINAL WIDTH** on the Table Saw. \*\*If gluing up several boards to form a panel, do so after this step. See "Gluing Panels" at the end of this document

Use a Push stick!



**Step 8. CUT ONE END SQUARE** on the Mitre Saw or on the Table Saw with a mitre gauge or cross cut sled.



**Step 9. CUT TO FINAL LENGTH** on Mitre Saw or on the table saw with a mitre gauge or cross cut sled. *Make sure you measure from the square end and cut to finished length.* 

## **GLUING PANELS**

If you are making panels for cutting boards, table tops etc., complete STEP #1- #4, skip STEP #5, continue with Step #6 above and then complete this procedure.

Glue up panels paying particular attention to grain direction and panel flatness.

