Machine guarding inspection checklist

Check before use, at the start of each shift. Never run a machine with a guard missing or not working.

Site		**Asset / ID**	
Date		**Time**	
Checked by		**Signature**	

#	Check	Pass	Fail	Notes
1	All fixed guards in place and secure			
2	Guards not damaged or modified			
3	Interlocked guards stop the machine when opened			
4	Emergency stop buttons work and are easy to reach			
5	Light curtains and sensors work (where fitted)			
6	Start and stop controls clearly marked and working			
7	Warning signs and labels readable			
8	Area around the machine clear and well lit			

Defects found and action taken:

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