

THE THICKNESS PLANER

① A thickness planer **can only reduce a board in thickness.**

☞ If a board is crooked or warped going in, it will be crooked or warped coming out.

② The boards that need to be planed **must** be jointed first before being planed.

③ Adjust the thickness planer for the *thickest board* to be planed.

④ Feed the board into the machine **'bad side up'**.

☞ The thickness planer is *self-feeding*, so there is no need to push the stock through the machine.

⑤ *Support the board* as it exits the machine to prevent **'snipe'** on the end of the board.

☞ It is a good idea to *plane boards first* **before** *cutting them to final length* so that any defects may be cut off afterwards.

⑥ Measure the board and if needed, adjust the machine **down** and repeat the procedure.

☞ Remember to plane **all** boards at each setting **before** making adjustments.

⑦ Turn machine **off** when *finished*.