

**Activity:** MAINTENANCE

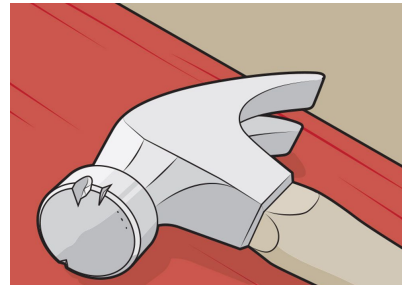
**Equipment:** IMPACTOR - BLOW BARS

**Task:** CHANGING BLOW BARS

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## Potential Hazard

Striking a hardened hammer with another hardened steel surface (another hammer), will chip causing flying debris. This also weakens the hammer allowing for certain future hazards.



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## Safety Innovation

The blow bar "Shoe Striker" was fabricated using mild steel. The tool is used to be safely struck with a hammer allowing for the shoe holding the blow bars in place to loosen and break free.



*This tool is not designed to be used as a hammer.*

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