SEWING MACHINE Safety Checklist – READ BEFORE USE

PPE/Safety Rules
- Pull your hair and sleeves back during use.
- Wear close toed shoes and safety glasses
- Turn off and unplug after use and before threading the needle
- Make sure there is no visible damage in the sewing machine, primarily the needle grip.
- If you have to look away from the sewing machine for any reason, completely stop what you are doing (to protect your fingers)
- Ensure that the needles in their designated spot when not in use.

Things to Avoid
- Do not sew over pins
- Do not use this machine to sew through thick or tough materials
- Do not let your fingers get too close to the feeder. If you feel like there needs to be something holding the fabric close to the feeder, use something else
- Do not use the sewing machine if there is visible, or audible damage

Pre-start Checklist
- Have I read the Safety Checklist?
- Have I been oriented on the machine?
- Do I know how to stop the machine quickly in case of an emergency?
- Has the Makerspace Co-ordinator approved my project?
- Look and listen for visible damage
- Assure all ventilation openings are clear of lint and scrap coth
- Inspect all machine settings and adjustments and modify as necessary for your requirements

Potential Hazards
- Needle moving at high speed