Buffalo Chopper (Hobart Food Cutter)
Training and Safety

Description: A Buffalo Chopper, more commonly known as a bowl cutter or food cutter, is basically a cast iron bowl that holds the food and rotates during the cutting process. There is a stationary blade that spins while the meat is passed through it, and the process continues until the food is chopped to the desired size. There is also a lid that covers the machine, which has an enlarged area to accommodate the spinning blade. This enlarged area of the lid is most likely the source of the "buffalo" label, because it resembles the hump on a buffalo's back.

Do:
- Make sure buffalo chopper is not plugged in when assembling
- Lift lid, make sure it goes all the way back so it does not fall forward and hurt you
- Align rectangular groove on blade with rod, make sure the blade touches the back of the rectangle protruding from the rod; the blade should click into place. Secure blade by twisting black knob on tightly
- The key goes 90 degrees to the right of the blade, insert onto rod that has two half circles
- Double check that the blades don’t hit the key by slowly, manually rotating the blade
- Put lid down, turn metal knob to the right to lock the lid in place. Double check the lid is locked by pulling up on it
- Put food into the opening; make sure there are no hard seeds or shells
- Plug in buffalo chopper
- Pull the START/STOP button start the machine, and push in button to stop machine
- When done: stop buffalo chopper and unplug it
- To clean: take apart the buffalo chopper and wash by hand; bowl can be removed by unscrewing it by twisting it to the right and sliding it our of place
- Reassemble buffalo chopper when done cleaning

Don’t:
- Don’t clean, assemble, or disassemble food processor is plugged in
- Don’t attempt to clear the edges of the bowl with spatula or anything else when buffalo chopper is on
- Don’t put any hard shells or hard seeds into buffalo chopper
- Don’t send buffalo chopper items to the dish room for cleaning
- Never leave buffalo chopper plugged in when finished with task