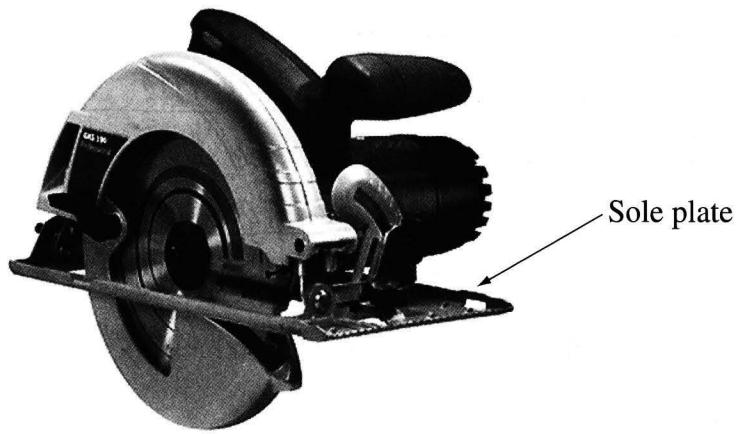

Question 17 (8 marks)

An illustration of a 240 V portable circular saw is shown.



- (a) What are TWO adjustments that can be made to the sole plate? 2

- Adjustments include the horizontal cutting angle which will allow for angled cuts of the timber
- Also the plate can be adjusted to allow for different ~~speed~~ thickness of timber

- (b) What features of the blade should be considered when purchasing a replacement? 2

Features of the blade include the size or diameter of the blade, as well as the blade type or purpose, e.g. soft wood or hard wood cutting

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Question 17 (continued)

- (c) Describe the routine maintenance checks for this type of saw.

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Routine maintenance could include the:

- sharpening or replacement of the blade which could be ~~be~~ carried out to ensure clean cuts on the timber. This can be carried out by observing the cutting performance of the blade, checking for clean cuts or unwanted vibrations.
- Another maintenance check could be to ensure that all nuts and bolts on the machine are tight and secured. This can be observed by listening for unwanted vibrations and/or noise during operation. The machine could be fixed/serviced by the manufacturer or machine repairer/service.

End of Question 17