

# AIRCRAFT DAMAGE ALERT BULLETIN

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## Damage to Cargo Door Sill

STATION: SMF

INCIDENT DATE: Jan. 4, 2017

While loading a 544lb. HR on a B737, fleet service clerk lowered the front of the beltloader and raised the rear to assist in loading the HR. An exposed screw from a damaged spacer on the beltloader made contact with door sill resulting in gash.

**ALWAYS tag out damaged equipment!**



*Resource Citation: Ramp Operations Manual (ROM)*

*Section 8-1-3 - D.* Unsafe or malfunctioning ground equipment shall not be operated. It is the responsibility of the operator to ensure ground equipment is in a safe operating condition before use. (Check; brakes, hood, door, hood/door latches, seat stability, glass, steering, tires, hitches, horn, etc.

*Section 8-6-3 - B. (2)* The beltloader rubber or plastic spacer must not come in contact with the aircraft fuselage.

*(3)* The beltloader boom and belt must be observed during the loading process and adjusted when necessary to ensure no part of the beltloader boom contacts any part of the aircraft doorway or compartment .

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