

# AIRCRAFT DAMAGE ALERT BULLETIN

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## Belt Loader Struck Inside Cargo Door

STATION: DFW  
INCIDENT DATE: Jan. 7, 2017

While a fleet service clerk was moving the belt loader from the cargo bin of a B737, the clerk did not fully clear the door before turning. The belt loader made contact with the opening of the cargo door.

**ALWAYS** back straight away from the aircraft!



*Resource Citation: Ramp Operations Manual (ROM)*

*Section 8-6-4 E.* The beltloader should be backed straight away from the aircraft without passing under the aircraft wings or fuselage. Rearward movement should cease at the point of the wing tip and forward movement should be achieved to the designated parking location clear of the intended aircraft gate departure path.

## Aircraft Pushed into Maintenance Stand

STATION: DFW  
INCIDENT DATE: Jan. 8, 2017

During pushback for a tow from the gate to the pad, a MD-80's right wing made contact with a maintenance stand.

**ALWAYS** clear the gate of equipment before pushback and  
**ALWAYS** maintain situational awareness!



*Resource Citation: Ramp Operations Manual (ROM)*

*Section 9-7-1 C. AIRCRAFT MOVEMENT Verify:* Equipment is positioned behind the safety clearance lines.

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