

# SAFETY ALERT BULLETIN

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 STATION: ALL  
 INCIDENT DATE: Multiple

## Engine Cowling Damage- Regional Aircraft

During 2016 several regional aircraft were damaged by beltloader handrails.

In all the events the handrail was in the up position and the beltloader was raised. The handrails must be lowered anytime the belt or beltloader is adjusted/moved.



**Resource Citation: American Eagle Ground Operations Manual (EGOM)**

Chapter 2 Ramp Safety

Section VII. Operation of Ground Equipment

C. Specific Equipment Safety Rules

2. Beltloaders

vii. Handrails are raised only on those units that are configured/modified for use on regional jet aircraft (*EXCEPTION: NOT USED FOR CRJ-200*) and must be raised after the beltloader has been positioned up to the cargo bin. Handrails must be lowered anytime the belt or beltloader is adjusted/moved.

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