

SAFETY ALERT

Finger injury caused by opening of jetting door unit



Description of Process:

During HP jetting operations, equipment is routinely inspected by accessing the pump housing at the rear of the unit. The operative observed standing water on the floor of the unit and decided to investigate further.

Description of Incident:

The employee suffered an injury to the third finger on his left hand when opening the double doors on an ultra high pressure jetting unit. As the IP opened the right hand door of the unit, his left hand was caught between the left hand door handle and the door lip, resulting in a laceration to his finger. The IP was subsequently medivaced and received 14 stitches to his finger.

Good Practice Guidance:

- All access points to must be kept clear of obstruction so the doors can be easily accessed and fully opened.
- Always take extra care when opening any container or unit door and remain conscious of hand placement.