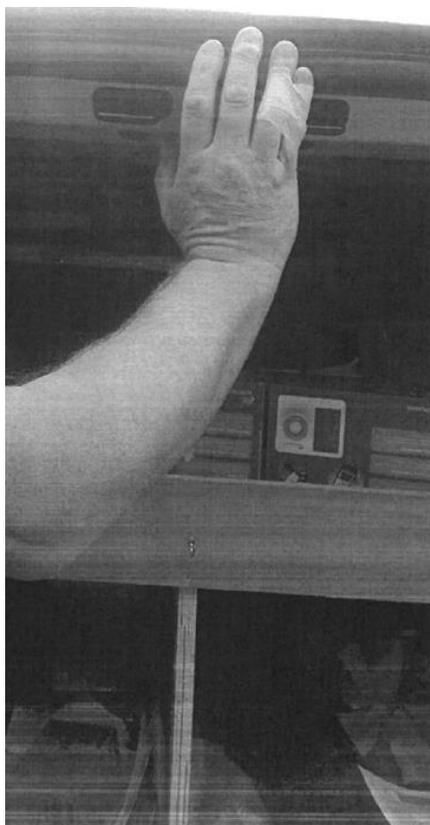


Incident Details –

An Actavo Engineer sustained a fracture to his small right hand finger when he was holding onto the top of the van with his hand in the rear door opening when the right hand door swung shut and caught his fingers. The engineer was off work for 4 days.

At the time of the accident, the engineer was standing on the back bumper of the van while adjusting his stepladders with his right hand in the position shown in the photographs.

**Recommendations and learning points:**

- Always conduct and ensure a thorough risk assessment before commencing and remain vigilant and aware of your surroundings throughout any job task.
- Ensure that rear and side doors on vans are fully open and that any fitted door safety catches or latches are fully engaged to stop the door closing while working at/accessing the rear or side of the van and ensure such safety catches or latches are in full working order.
- Never stand on the bumper of the van. Only stand on a fitted step to obtain access to the van for materials, tools and equipment.
- Additionally, ensure your van is loaded correctly and tidy to avoid anything falling out of the van onto your legs and feet when you open the van doors.