



Avoiding Head Injuries in Vehicles

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Incident Description

A TRISS Operative sustained a head injury (cut requiring first aid) after striking the top of their head on the camera screen. The operative was attending a breakdown and climbed over seats to exit safely from the non-traffic side.

Our Fleet team are investigating potential solutions, such as repositioning camera screens or adding edge protection to prevent similar incidents.

Recommendations

Until a fix is implemented, all operatives are advised to:

- Be Aware of Surroundings: Take extra care when exiting vans, especially when climbing over seats to exit from the non-traffic side.
- Move Slowly and Deliberately: Avoid rushing to reduce the risk of striking equipment.
- Check Overhead Clearance: Ensure you are aware of any obstacles, such as the camera screens, before standing or moving.
- Report Hazards: Immediately report any issues with vehicle equipment or layout that may pose a risk to your supervisor.







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