

# ALERT-OSB-97

## Van Vaults / Tool Stores

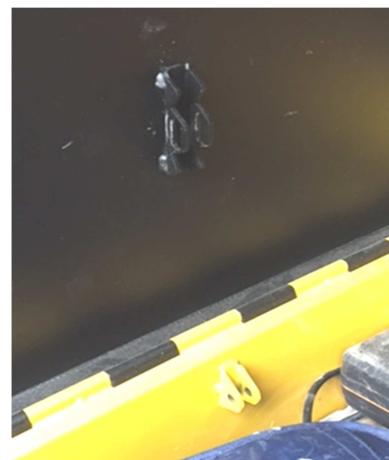
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### What Happened?

- One of our carpenters was injured as a result of a van tool vault lid falling on to his hand when he was organising his tools.
- This caused a fracture to his hand, requiring his hand now to be in plaster for 6 weeks.
- This is not the first injury involving van/tool vaults!

**The Van Vault piston arm was missing in the middle and the stay arm was broken.**



### Take Action Now!

- Check all van vaults / tool stores on your vans / sites and make sure they are in good working order.
- If any parts are missing or broken, stop using it until either repaired or replaced.
- Please make sure when carrying out your weekly inspections, you are checking all work equipment including van vaults / tool stores.

### Remember Tool / Van Vaults :-

- Are work equipment, and need to be inspected regularly.
- If defective they should be repaired / replaced when necessary.
- Hydraulic rams are the preferred mechanism for the lids, as they prevent uncontrolled dropping of the lid.



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