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Unexpected Door Movement - Minor Injury

What Happened:

Whilst strapping load on wagon the left hand door came adrift from the catch. The force of the wind caused the door to swing open and hit the driver in the face causing a minor laceration above the left eye, driver given First Aid treatment and later discharged. IP returned to work with no further issues.





Findings:

- High wind had caused door to rattle/ vibrate and restraining arm had slipped...
- Driver was wearing PPE.

Actions:

- ✓ Check retaining arms for correct tension.
- ✓ Report any defects to retaining arms asap.
- ✓ Ensure Adverse Weather (Strong Winds), is considered in all Risk Assessments.
- ✓ Be extra vigilant during strong winds.
- ✓ Consider the use of additional devices to doors during strong winds.
- ✓ Consider whether it is possible to close the trailer doors before proceeding to outside securing bay.