

## **Boeing 737-436, G-DOCD, 10 March 1999 at1235 hrs**

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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Boeing 737-436, G-DOCD  
**No & Type of Engines:** 2 CFM56-3C1 turbofan engines  
**Year of Manufacture:** 1991  
**Date & Time (UTC):** 10 March 1999 at1235 hrs  
**Location:** London Heathrow Airport  
**Type of Flight:** Public Transport  
**Persons on Board:** Crew - N/K - Passengers - N/K  
**Injuries:** Crew - None - Passengers - None  
**Nature of Damage:** Minor to fuselage skin  
**Commander's Licence:** N/A  
**Commander's Age:** N/K  
**Commander's Flying Experience:** N/A

**Information Source:** Report submitted by the Operator

A belt baggage loader was correctly positioned at the rear cargo hold when it was struck by the vehicle manoeuvring it into the hold. The baggage loader struck the fuselage skin causing damage to the area beneath the sill of the cargo door. Following inspection of the damaged area, the aircraft was returned to service with the requirement for regular inspections pending the completion of a permanent repair.