

REACHING TO OPERATE MACHINERY

You can see that this worker is using a <u>Golfers Bend to reach in and operate the machine</u>. This is a really good idea because, as his <u>foot comes up off the floor it allows the hip</u> <u>socket to do the bending instead of the back</u>. Hip sockets are made for this kind of work, your back is not. The really important thing to remember here, is that <u>for the hip to rotate</u> <u>the foot has to come up off the floor</u>. If the foot doesn 't come up, the back will be forced to compensate and do the work. <u>Using the Golfers Bend is a great habit to get into</u> because every little bit of stress you save your back counts in the long run!

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