

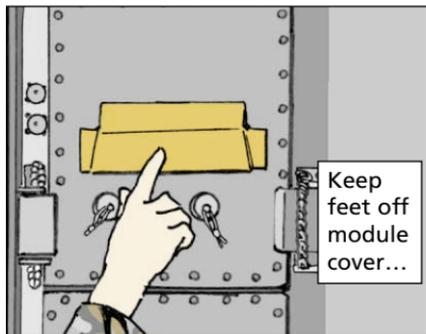
LAUNCH with CARE

YOU'VE GOT TO BE CAREFUL WHERE YOU PUT YOUR FEET! I'M A LOT MORE SENSITIVE THAN I LOOK!

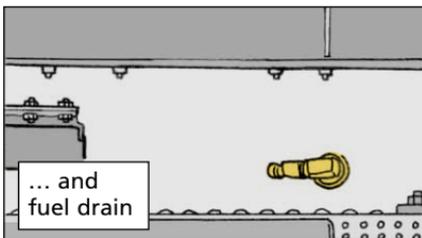
A little care with your Patriot missile system's launcher can lead to good launching.

Watch Your Step

A misplaced boot on the cover for the launcher's 5A2 data link terminal module can break the electrical connections for the fiber-optic cables. That means no commo between the launcher and engagement control station (ECS). A good first step in heading off that problem is to paint NO STEP on the module cover. And keep bundles of camouflage netting off the cover, too. The weight can damage the connections.



A no-step rule goes for the launcher generator's fuel drain, too. If you step on it, fuel gushes out the drain.



Release Release Pin

Any time you're going to raise or lower the launcher, **make sure** the quick release pins have been removed. If you forget and the quick release pins have not been removed, the whole launcher frame can be twisted or the launcher motor burned out.

