

# WATCH OUT FOR THE FEET!



**M**echanics, entering the Black Hawk cockpit from the cabin during maintenance can be a double-jointed exercise that puts the center console in harm's way.

It's best to use the cockpit doors to enter the cockpit. Getting out of the cabin and entering the cockpit using the cockpit doors may seem like a waste of time and energy, but it is necessary to avoid damage.

Every time you climb into the cockpit from the cabin and don't lift your feet high enough to clear the center console, chances are you'll kick and knock off a knob, switch or button.

For example, if you kick any of the center console components like the intercommunications control system (ICS) component and its knobs, buttons and switches, you could be without communication.

Keep in mind that if you knock off buttons, knobs and switches on some of the components, the entire component has to be replaced.

