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## Cowling Latch PM

Opening the OH-58 latches the right way can stop maintenance downtime and parts replacement. Could keep you from getting a steel-punctured thumb, too!

If you pop open the engine cowling side panel latches with a tool or your thumb, you'll damage the bird when the spring-loaded latch hits the cowling skin or the cotter pin breaks the latch spring. Next time you open the cowling, you could get a thumb full of steel spring.

Adding a doubler to reinforce the panel is expensive and time-consuming. So, open the latches with both thumb and finger to stop the spring-loaded latch from striking the skin hard or the pin from breaking the spring.

