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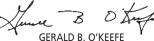
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# DA Form Pour Fellow Soldiers 2028...



MORE THAN ONE SOLDIER HAS HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF CRACKING OPEN THE LATEST VERSION OF A TM AND NOTICING THAT THE NON FOR A CERTAIN PART IS WRONG. AGAIN!

JUST LIKE IT WAS IN THE LAST THREE TM RELEASES.

YOU GRAB AN INK PEN, LINE OUT THE WRONG NON AND JOT DOWN THE CORRECT NUMBER.

THE DAY IS SAVED AND ALL IS RIGHT WITH THE WORLD, BUT ...

"THAT'S NOT ENOUGH

IF SOMEONE ORDERS A PART WITH THE WRONG NSN, THEY'LL GET SOMETHING THEY CAN'T USE, IF SOMEONE USES A PROCEDURE THAT'S INCORRECT, THEY MIGHT DAMAGE THEIR EQUIPMENT OR GET HURT.



WHEN YOU FIND A TM MISTAKE, IT EXISTS IN EVERY COPY OF THAT TM FOR THAT PIECE OF EQUIPMENT, YOU'VE FIXED YOUR TM COPY, BUT SOLDIERS ALL OVER THE WORLD STILL HAVE INCORRECT INFORMATION.

SUBMITTING A DA FORM 2028 DOESN'T JUST SAVE YOU TROUBLE, IT HELPS OTHER TROOPS,

SO IF YOU CATCH A TM ERROR, CORRECT IT AND THEN IMMEDIATELY FILL OUT AND SUBMIT A DA FORM 2028.

YOU'LL FIND INFO ON WHERE AND HOW TO SUBMIT THE FORM ON PAGES 58-59 OF THIS ISSUE: https://www.logsa.army.mil/psmag/ archives/PS2017/779/779-58-59.pdf

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# **ES** COMBAT VEHICLES



Stryker...

# POWER OFF SURGE THREAT



Dear Editor,

The Stryker's driver's vision enhancer (DVE) comes in pretty handy, but it doesn't work very well if it's damaged by careless start-up and shut-down procedures.

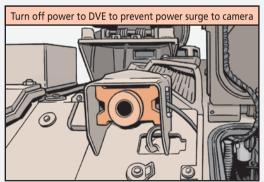
Sometimes drivers get in a hurry at the end of a mission and forget to turn off the power to the DVE before they shut down the engine and power off the vehicle.

That leaves the DVE camera, NSN 5855-01-588-3763, and the DVE screen, NSN 5980-01-525-1688, vulnerable to power surges. And replacing those two items isn't cheap.

Always turn off power to the DVE before you shut down the engine and power off the vehicle. You'll also want to double-check that the DVE is shut down before applying power to the vehicle and starting the engine.

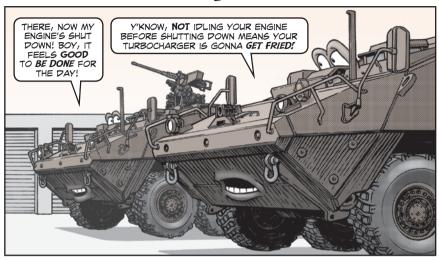
CW2 Jamie Brown Ft Bliss, TX

Editor's note: Drivers, follow these tips to stop the surge.



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# Don't Skip the Idle



DRIVERS, IT'S
EASY TO GET
IN A HURRY,
ESPECIALLY
WHEN YOU'RE
MOVING OUT ON
A MISSION,

BUT BEING IN A HURRY IS NO EXCUSE FOR NOT STARTING UP YOUR STRYKER THE RIGHT WAY.



GRAVITY DRAINS OIL OUT OF THE TURBOCHARGER WHEN THE STRYKER'S BEEN SITTING FOR A WHILE. SO MAKE SURE YOU IDLE THE VEHICLE AT 650-700 RPM FOR 30 SECONDS OR SO BEFORE HEADING OUT. AND DON'T REV THE ENGINE WHILE YOU'RE WAITING!

IDLING LETS ENOUGH OIL CIRCULATE TO THE TURBOCHARGER'S BEARINGS TO PREVENT ANY DAMAGE.

IF YOU SKIP THE IDLING, CHANCES ARE YOUR UNIT IS SOON GONNA BE SHELLING OUT SOME *BIG BUCKS* FOR A NEW TURBOCHARGER.



THE TURBOCHARGER
CONTINUES TO SPIN
FOR A SHORT TIME
AFTER SHUTDOWN.
BUT THE OIL STOPS
CIRCULATING AS SOON
AS YOU SHUT OFF THE
ENGINE.

THAT MEANS YOU
NEED TO COOL DOWN
THE TURBOCHARGER
BEFORE SHUTTING
DOWN THE ENGINE.

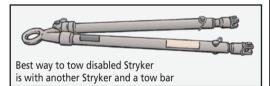
RUN THE ENGINE AT LOW IDLE FOR AT LEAST THREE MINUTES BEFORE SHUTDOWN.

THE CIRCULATING OIL COOLS THE TURBOCHARGER AND LUBES THE BEARINGS SO THERE'S NO OVERHEATING AFTER THE ENGINE IS SHUT DOWN.



Dear Editor,

I see too many Strykers damaged because crews don't know the right way to tow a disabled vehicle. The best way is to flat-tow a disabled Stryker with another Stryker using a tow bar.



Towing the right way prevents costly damage to the transfer, the turbocharger and tires. Follow the towing procedures found in the -10 TM and you'll be all right. And remember that if a Stryker is so damaged it can't be flat-towed,

mechanics **shouldn't** use a HEMTT wrecker to tow with the Stryker's front end suspended.

Not only will towing damage the rear suspension and hubs on the Stryker, but it can also break the HEMTT's lift cylinders. Instead, call for an M916 tractor truck with an M870A1 semitrailer.

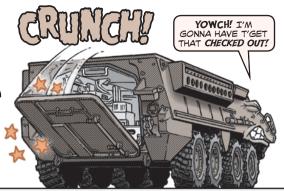
If Stryker is too damaged to flat tow, use trailer



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Stryker...

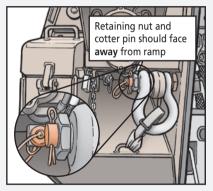
## Prevent Shackle Hardware Damage



**D**rivers, be sure to take a minute to check the recovery lug shackles on the back of your Stryker.

If the retaining nut and cotter pin are installed on the wrong side of the shackle, they can get damaged when the ramp is raised or lowered.

Prevent damage by making sure the retaining nut and cotter pin are installed on the **outside** of the shackle, facing **away** from the ramp. Then check them each time you do before-operation PMCS.



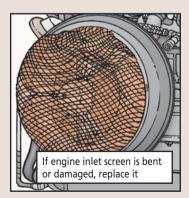
M1-Series Tanks...

# DON'T REPAIR INLET SCREEN!

Mechanics, repairing the engine inlet screen, NSN 2510-01-607-6386, on M1-series tanks is no longer authorized.

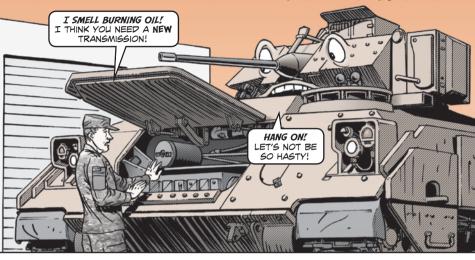
By trying to save your unit \$4,000 by repairing the screen, you could damage the AGT 1500 engine and cost your unit over \$500,000!

So don't attempt a repair if the inlet screen is bent or damaged. Replace it instead.



M2/M3-Series Bradleys, MLRS...

### **BAD TRANSMISSION?** NOT SO FAST!



SOME UNITS ARE TURNING IN BRADLEY AND MLRS HMPT-800 TRANSMISSIONS, NSN 2520-01-626-5061, THAT HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED AS NEEDING REPLACEMENT WHEN THE TRANSMISSIONS ARE ACTUALLY FINE.

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REPLACING A "BAD" TRANSMISSION WHEN THE PROBLEM IS SOMETHING ELSE IS A BIG WASTE OF TIME, EFFORT AND MONEY!

IF A TRANSMISSION EMITS A BURNT OIL SMELL, HAS A FAULTY TRANSMISSION CONTROL MODULE (TCM) OR OTHERWISE ISN'T PERFORMING LIKE IT SHOULD, THE PROBLEM **COULD BE FIXABLE**.

CREWS SHOULD DO A THOROUGH PMCS BY THE BOOK, INCLUDING LOOKING FOR TRANSMISSION OIL AND COOLANT SYSTEM LEAKS. THE PROBLEM MIGHT BE A RELATIVELY SIMPLE FIX INSTEAD OF A COSTLY TRANSMISSION REPLACEMENT.

BUT IF A BAD TRANSMISSION IS SUSPECTED, LET A FIELD SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (FSR) CHECK IT OUT AND DECIDE WHETHER IT CAN BE REPAIRED BY FIELD-LEVEL MAINTENANCE, OR IF A REPLACEMENT IS NECESSARY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND A LIST OF REGIONAL FSRS, CHECK OUT TACOM MAINTENANCE INFORMATION MESSAGE 17-017 AT:

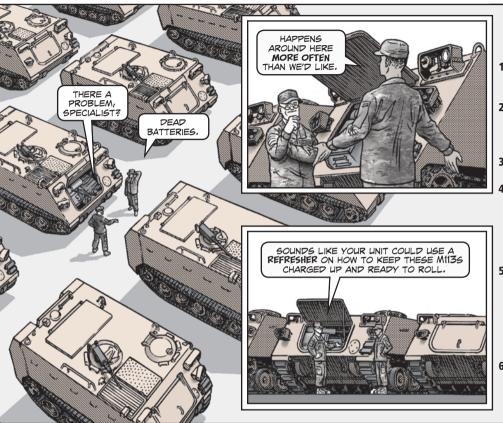
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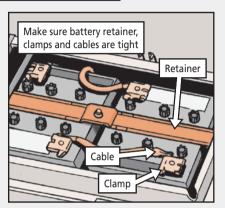


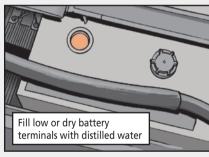
# M113-Series FOV... BATTERY PM KEEPS YOU CHARGED TO FIGHT!



CREWMEN, CHECK OUT THESE PMCS TIPS SO YOUR VEHICLE'S BATTERIES DON'T FIZZLE OUT BEFORE YOUR MISSION BEGINS.

- 1. Use both hands to check the battery retainers and clamp. If the batteries move or seem loose, let vour mechanic know.
- 2. Same thing with the battery connections. If you can move the clamp on the battery post with your thumb and first two fingers, it needs to be tightened.
- 3. Check to see if the cables are connected tightly to the clamp. If not, report 'em.
- 4. For wet cell batteries, the electrolyte should cover the plates and reach the bottom edge of the vent plugs. If any are low or completely dry, fill them with distilled water. You'll get six 1-gallon bottles of distilled water when you order NSN 6810-00-682-6867.
- 5. Take a rag and clean the battery, making sure to wipe off the battery case and surrounding metal parts. While you're at it, look for missing or damaged rubber boots on the terminal covers. Tell your mechanic and he'll replace 'em with NSN 2530-01-089-4992.
- 6. Give each terminal a light coat of silicone compound to prevent corrosion. Get a 3-oz tube with NSN 8040-01-331-7133 or a 1-pt can with NSN 8040-01-331-7134.





COMPLETE SCOOP ON KEEPING YOUR M113'S BATTERIES IN TOP SHAPE BY CHECKING OUT WP 0085 OF TM 9-2350-261-10 (AUG 05) AND WP 0104 OF TM 9-2350-277-10 (MAR 12, W/CH 1, DEC 13).

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FOR EVEN MORE BATTERY INFO, CHECK OUT 9-6140-200-13 (May 11),

Operator and Field Maintenance for Automotive Lead-Acid Storage Batteries.

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THANKS, HALF-MAST. OUR BATTERIES SURE NEEDED THAT BOOST OF PM HOW-TO!

> JUST REMEMBER A LITTLE PM GOES A LONG WAY TOWARD KEEPING YOUR VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT COMBAT READY!



# PS TACTICAL VEHICLES



# HMMWVS... ABANDON THE BRACKET!



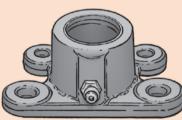
Dear Editor,

When ordering the pintle hook kit, NSN 2540-01-189-2193, for our HMMWVs, we've noticed that it often includes a pintle mounting bracket, NSN 5340-00-408-2432.

That bracket was designed to strengthen weaker bumpers like those on base model M998-series vehicles. But when MWO 9-2320-280-20-7 was issued, those bumpers were reinforced with a slightly smaller bracket, NSN 5340-01-506-7986.

We thought it would be a good idea to let mechanics know so they won't try to install the -2432 bracket from the kit. It's just big enough to prevent proper installation of the castle nut.

1SG Garth Creekmore SSG James Evans OHARNG Pintle mounting bracket no longer needed



**Editor's note:** An excellent point, Sergeants! Mechanics, if you receive a kit that includes the bracket, leave it in the box.

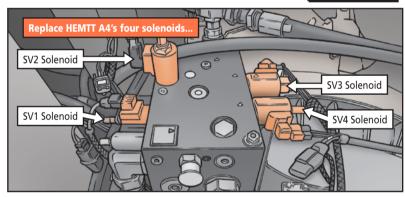
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# Replace Hydraulic Manifold Solenoids



WAS YOUR HEMTT A4 OR PLS AT MANUFACTURED BEFORE 2016? THEN YOU NEED TO REPLACE THE SOLENOIDS ON THE HYDRAULIC DISTRIBUTION MANIFOLD RIGHT NOW.

SOME OF THOSE SOLENOIDS MAY OVERHEAT AND CATCH FIRE!





...with new replacement solenoid, PN 38400082

THE **GOOD NEWS** IS THAT NEWLY REDESIGNED SOLENOIDS ARE **FREE ISSUE** TO UNITS.

FOR REPLACEMENT SOLENOIDS, SEND A SOLENOID REQUEST FORM TO: usarmu.detroit.peo-cs-css.mbx.pm-ts-htv-ils@mail.mil

DOWNLOAD THE FORM AT: https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/Safety/download.cfm? filename=soum/tacom\_wn/ ReguestForm.pdf

YOU'LL FIND THE HEMTT A4 SOLENOIDS LISTED AS ITEM 10 IN FIG 423 OF TM 9-2320-326-13&P ON IETM EM 0288 (DEC 15). THE PLS A1 SOLENOIDS ARE SHOWN AS ITEM 3 IN FIG 768 OF TM 9-2320-319-13&P ON IETM EM 0298 (MAR 10).

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CHECK OUT TACOM SAFETY-OF-USE MESSAGE 17-004: https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/Safety/message.cfm?id=\$OU17-004.html

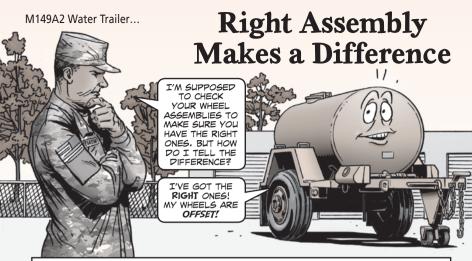




APP2 FMTV trucks were fielded without the protective (breather) cap on the electric hydraulic power unit (EHPU). As a result, the EHPU fluid gets contaminated with water. That leads to failing or stalled cab lift hydraulic components.

So order a new breather cap with NSN 5340-01-646-6963. That keeps water out of the EHPU's fluid.

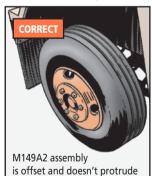
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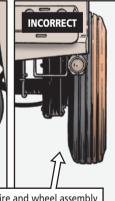
Dear Editor,

I've noticed quite a few units that have the **wrong** tire and wheel assembly installed on their M149A2 water trailers.

The **correct** wheel assembly for the M149A2 is NSN 2530-01-611-7619. It has an offset rim, so the 10R22.5 tire doesn't protrude past the fender well.



past wheel well...



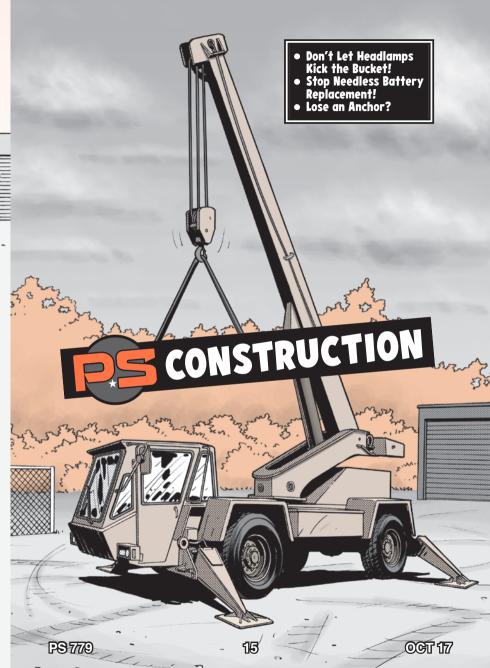
But some M149A2 trailers are incorrectly equipped with NSN 2530-01-528-9461. While it has the same tire as the other assembly, the rim isn't offset. So when installed on the M149A2, the tire sticks out past the fender well. That makes the trailer wider than it should be and can be dangerous.

1SG Garth Creekmore OHARNG

...like M149/M149A1 tire and wheel assembly

**Editor's note:** Operators, check your trailers now. If the wrong assembly is installed, notify your mechanic. And check out TACOM GPA 17-015 for more details on tire and wheel assemblies for small trailers:

https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/Safety/message.cfm?id=GPA17-015.html



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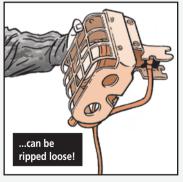


**l** perators, remember to detach the front bucket headlamps whenever you're unloading the HMEE-1's bucket and BII boxes.

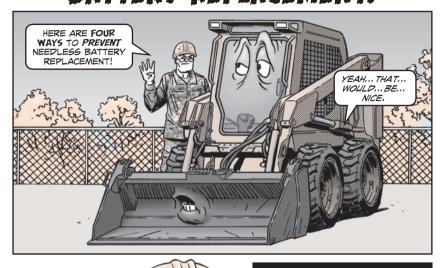
If you don't, the headlamps, NSN 6220-01-549-6135, and their electrical cables will get ripped loose from the bucket. At \$130, those headlamps aren't cheap to replace, either!



TO LOSE OR DAMAGE THEM.



INSTEAD, REATTACH THE LAMPS TO THEIR OFF-ROAD POSITION ON THE CAB A-POSTS UNTIL YOU'RE READY TO REINSTALL THEM. M400W Skid Loader... STOP NEEDLESS
BATTERY REPLACEMENT!





MOST OF THESE VEHICLES USE THE YELLOW-TOP OPTIMA BATTERIES.

EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE HIGH QUALITY
BATTERIES, THEY CAN'T STAND THE CONSTANT
DRAIN BY THE LOADER'S ELECTRICAL SYSTEM.
THE CONSTANT DISCHARGE LEADS TO
SULFATED PLATES.

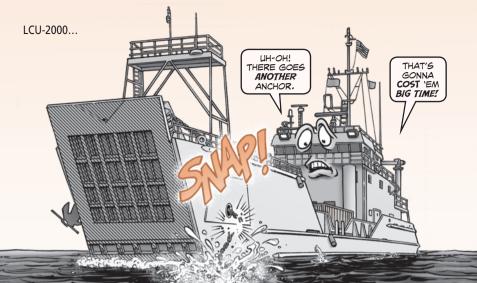
OVER TIME, THE OPTIMA BATTERY CAN NO LONGER BE CHARGED AND HAS TO BE REPLACED. THE END RESULT IS WAY TOO MANY DEAD BATTERIES IN THESE SKID LOADERS!

AND THE CYCLE CONTINUES.

# HERE ARE FOUR WAYS TO STOP NEEDLESS BATTERY REPLACEMENT:

- Start the skid loader weekly and run it for an hour.
- Every other week, plug a charger into the vehicle's NATO receptacle and fully charge the battery set. The ProHD, NSN 6130-01-500-3401, is an approved charger that comes with the SATS.
- For long-term storage, make sure you disconnect the skid steer loader's batteries.
- For skid loaders stored outdoors in the motor pool, use a solar charging system, like the Solar Pulse Monitor System, NSN 6130-01-558-5371. It simply plugs into the NATO receptacle and no modifications are needed.

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# Lose an Anchor?

Army mariners, losing an anchor on the landing craft utility (LCU) is a big, expensive deal! At \$3,100 an anchor, that's a lotta bucks to leave on the ocean floor!

Missing anchors are the result of neglected anchor chain components that corrode from constant exposure to salt water. The salt's not going away any time soon, so it's up to you to wash down the chains regularly.

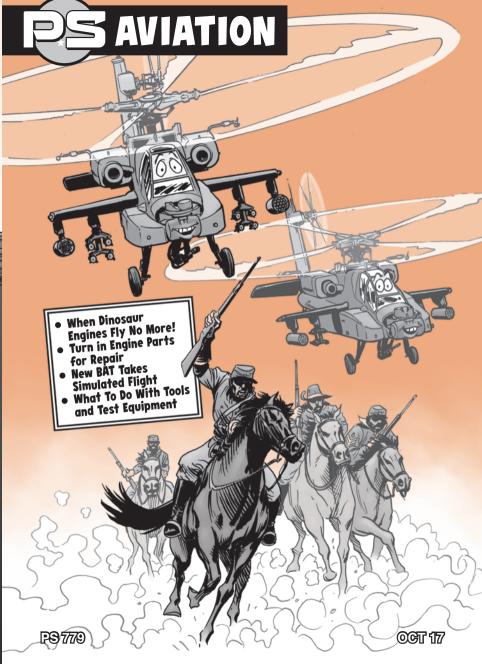
Make sure they're clean of any mud, silt and debris after you've raised anchor and stored the chains in their locker. Also, you'll want to pump out any standing water and contaminants in the chain locker. Letting the chain stew in a locker full of water is an open invitation to corrosion!

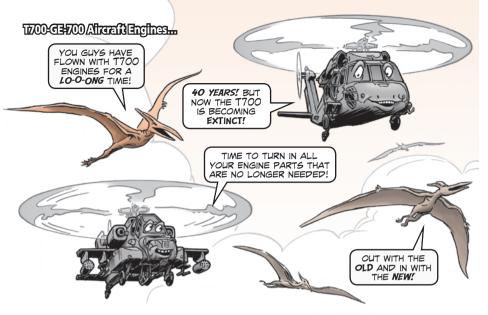
This same info will be added to Item 126 of the PMCS charts in TM 55-1905-223-10 (Jan 89, w/Ch 12, Jul 09).

Pump water out of chain locker to prevent corrosion

And don't forget to inspect the anchor chain components for wear and damage. See Item 22 in the PMCS chart and Para 4-10 in TM 55-1905-223-24-15 for more information. Another great reference for anchor chain component care is TC 4-15.51, *Marine Crewman's Handbook*. Download a copy at the APD website:

http://armypubs.army.mil/ProductMaps/PubForm/ActiveSearchFull.aspx





### WHEN DINOSAUR ENGINES FLY NO MORE!

EVERYTHING THAT HAS A BEGINNING HAS AN EVENTUAL END.

THE T700-GE-700 ENGINE LINE IS SWIFTLY APPROACHING THAT POINT AFTER 40 YEARS OF HARD WORK.

ALL NATIONAL GUARD AIRCRAFT FLYING T7006 HAVE RETIRED THE LAST FEW AIRCRAFT WITH -700 ENGINES. ACTIVE DUTY UH-60AS WITH -700 ENGINES ARE EITHER RETIRED OR UPGRADED EXCEPT FOR 35 UH- AND EH-60AS.

THOSE REMAINING AT FT RUCKER WILL BE RETIRED AND REPLACED WITH THE MORE CAPABLE UH-GOLS AND UH-GOMS OPERATING -701D ENGINES WITH COMMON CONTROLS. WHAT
DOES THIS
MEAN TO
YOU?

H-60 UNITS NEED
TO CHECK THEIR
HANGAR FOR
EXCESS ENGINES,
AS WELL AS -700
ENGINE AND AIRFRAME
COMPONENTS, IF YOU FIND
ANY, TURN THEM IN AND REPLACE
THEM WITH THE SIMILAR H-60L
OR H-60M ITEMS YOU REALLY
NEED TO STOCK.

THE
FOLLOWING
ARE LISTS
OF -700
ENGINE AND
AIRFRAME
PARTS NO
LONGER
NEEDED IF
YOU AREN'T
OPERATING
-700
ENGINES ON
H-60AS:

T700-GE-700 Excess Airtrame Items		
Item	NSN	PN
SDC	6630-01-342-0470	70450-01043-126
CDU	2520-01-342-0497	70450-01043-126
Engine inlet anti-ice valve	4810-01-116-7091	70306-10012-107
Bleed-air shutoff valve	4810-01-108-7364	70306-02102-103
L/H engine to airframe harness	5995-01-101-9852	70552-10101-101
R/H engine to airframe harness	5995-01-102-6086	70552-10101-101

Item	NSN	PN
Engine T700-GE-700 assembly	2840-01-070-1003	6035T00G01
Cold section module	2840-01-094-5547	6035T02G01
Combustion liner	2840-01-344-5923	6064T55G01
Inlet particle separator duct	2840-01-121-5295	6043T40G01
GG rotor	2840-01-342-9017 2840-01-295-8125	6055T20G05 6055T20G03
Air compressor seal	2840-01-128-4405	6064T98G01
Lubricating oil pump	2840-01-126-4129	5034T11P04
STG1 turbine nozzle	2840-01-193-3349	5043T24G14
Power turbine module	2840-01-245-6002	6064T98G01
Fuel injector assembly	2915-01-247-7136	4045T30G05
Pressurizing manifold	2915-01-171-7785	3046T18G01
Primer nozzle	2915-01-093-5369	4046T78P05
Pressurizing and overspeed unit	2915-01-171-7761	4076T64G01
HMUs	2915-01-326-4224 2915-01-326-4223 2915-01-326-4225 2915-01-325-8315 2915-01-319-3953 2915-01-332-2838 2615-01-492-4556	5074T79G02 5074T79G03 5074T79G05 5074T79G07 4046T52G19 4046T52G23 4046T52G39
Alternator stator	2925-01-340-5504	6038T46P02
Engine history recorder	2995-01-120-8714	4046T26G03
ECUs	2995-01-128-1736 2995-01-155-6595 2995-01-161-1455 2995-01-160-3913 2995-01-181-3971 2995-01-245-9830 2995-01-259-0338	4046T29G06 4046T29G07 4046T29G09 4046T29G10 4046T29G11 4046T29G12 4046T29G13

**T700-GE-700 Excess Engine Components** 

GOT QUESTIONS? CONTACT MICHAEL WEIST, AT (256) 3(3-1335, OR BY EMAIL:

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GUARD UNITS

SHOULD CONTACT

THEIR TASMG FOR ASSISTANCE

WITH EXCESS

PROPERTY.

THERE MAY BE

**OPPORTUNITIES** 

TO BUNDLE

THE ITEMS
AND HARVEST
ANOTHER -701D
SET FROM A

BEST OR RECAP

AIRCRAFT.

ALL ACTIVE
PUTY UNITS CAN
TURN THEIR ITEMS
BACK IN TO THE
SUPPLY SYSTEM
OR CONTACT THE
T700 ENGINE

FOLKS FOR

DETAILS.



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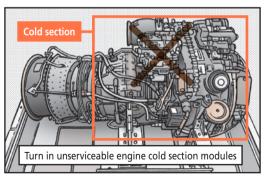


MAKE SURE THAT UNSERVICEABLE ENGINE COLD SECTION IS A NEW TURNED IN TO ENGINE. CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT FOR REPAIR.





OUTPUT DRIVE SHAFT ASSEMBLIES. NSNS 2840-01-482-1870, 2840-01-630-1878 AND 2840-01-629-7392.



IF YOU FIND ANY UNSERVICEABLE COMPONENTS,

TURN THEM IN TO CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT FOR REPAIR ASAP.

> THAT ENSURES THE SUPPLY CHAIN IS STOCKED AND HELPS OTHERS GET THE SERVICEABLE PARTS THEY NEED WHEN THEY NEED THEM.

EXCESS SERVICEABLE T701C/D GAS TURBINE SHAFTS ARE NEEDED, TOO. TURN THEM IN TO B52. HERE ARE THE SHAFTS NEEDED:

- NSN 2840-01-482-1870 (PN 3065T21G01)
- NSN 2840-01-630-1878 (PN 3065T21G04)
- NSN 2840-01-629-7392 (PN 3065T21G05)

MARK THE UNSERVICEABLE ASSETS FOR THE B17 ACCOUNT AND SHIP THEM TO: W0MU USA DEP Corpus Christi 540 First ST, SE Bldg 1846 Corpus Christi, TX, 78419-5255

H-60M Aircraft

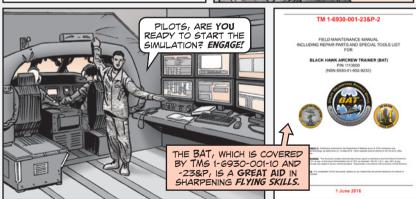
# New BAT Takes Simulated Flight



UH-GOM PILOTS, STAYING UPDATED ON HELICOPTER SIMULATOR FLIGHT TRAINING IS A KEY TO SUCCESSFUL OPERATION OF M-MODEL BLACK HAWK HELICOPTERS.



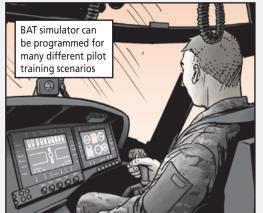
TO HELP WITH THE ARMY'S SIMULATOR TRAINING NEEDS, THE UTILITY HELICOPTER PROJECT OFFICE IS FIELDING A NUMBER OF BLACK HAWK AIRCREW TRAINERS (BATS), NSN 6930-01-652-9233.



EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE BAT IS IN YOUR TMS ... ...AND DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR THE BAT PORTAL!



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SCENARIOS INCLUPE EMERGENCY EVASIVE MANELVERS THAT MIGHT BE CATASTROPHIC AND PEADLY IF ATTEMPTED AS PART OF REGULAR AIRCRAFT TRAINING.









FOR EMERGENCIES OR ISSUES THAT NEED IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE, CALL THE BAT HOTLINE AT (256) 876-5005.



TO ACCESS THE BAT PORTAL, YOU'LL NEED TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT AT: http://batsimulator.com

Black Hawk Aircrew Trainer



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#### FIRST, CREATE A LOGIN NAME.

THEN CLICK ON CREATE AN ACCOUNT LUNDER THE LOGIN BUTTON. NO CAC CARP IS REQUIRED, BUT ACCESS IS ONLY GRANTED TO KNOWN AND CERTIFIED MEMBERS OF THE BAT COMMUNITY.

FOR NEW MAINTAINERS AND OPERATORS, YOUR COMPANY, AGENCY OR UNIT MUST SUBMIT A ROSTER OF NAMES AND EMAIL ADDRESSES TO THE BAT TEAM.



GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD SUBMIT A REQUEST TO THE BAT TEAM FOR VETTING.

ONCE IDENTIFIED AS A NEW PORTAL USER, THE BAT TEAM WILL SEND AN E-MAIL MESSAGE WITH YOUR ACCOUNT INSTRUCTIONS.

INITIAL TRAINING ON THE BAT TAKES THREE DAYS.

BAT TRAINEES
AWAITING FORMAL
TRAINING CAN STILL
ACCESS THE PORTAL'S
DOCUMENTATION TAB
TO POWNLOAD:

- TMs
- course material
- technical bulletins
- training videos
- training schedules
- commercial manuals

AS NEW INFORMATION IS ADDED TO THE PORTAL, USERS WILL RECEIVE A MASS E-MAIL OUTLINING WHAT'S AVAILABLE.

THE SITE'S SUPPORT TAB ALLOWS YOU TO POST OBSERVATIONS OR QUESTIONS, YOU CAN ALSO SUBMIT TROUBLE TICKETS, THE TICKET IS FORWARDED TO AN ENGINEER OR TECHNICIAN FOR RESOLUTION.

FINAL SOLUTIONS ARE POSTED TO THE BAT PORTAL SO ALL USERS CAN STAY UP-TO-DATE ON CURRENT ISSUES.

CURRENT PLANS ARE
TO FIELD BATS TO FIS
HOOD AND CARSON, AS
WELL AS THE PAARNG
(FT INDIANTOWN GAP),
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AND IAARNG (CAMP
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# WHAT TO DO WITH TOOLS AND TEST EQUIPMENT



WHEN THOSE OLD ENGINES ARE REPLACED BY THE T700-GE-7010 OR T700-GE-7010 ENGINE, YOU'LL NEED TO TURN IN SOME OF THE TOOLS AND TEST EQUIPMENT YOU'VE BEEN USING.



MECHANICS, THOSE T700-GE-T700 AND T700-GE-T701 ENGINES WILL EVENTUALLY NO LONGER BE USED IN THE BLACK HAWK AND APACHE FLEET. AS THEY'RE SWITCHED OUT FOR T700-GE-T701C OR T700-GE-T701P ENGINES, CERTAIN TOOLS AND TEST EQUIPMENT MAY NOT BE NEEDED ANYMORE.

IF YOU HAVE
THESE ITEMS IN
YOUR ENGINE
SHOP AND
THEY'RE NO
LONGER USED,
TURN THEM IN
TO THE SUPPLY
SYSTEM!

THE CHART LISTS T700-GE-T700 AND T700-GE-T701 ENGINE TOOLS
AND TEST EQUIPMENT THAT WILL BE EVENTUALLY PHASED OUT.

Item	Engine Model	NSN	PN
Aircraft maintenance fixture	T700-GE-700 & 701	4920-01-317-7895	21C7731G01
Blade guide	T700GE-700 & T700	5120-01-136-9670	21C7419G01
Set gage lead edge	T700-GE-700	4920-01-234-2179	21C77784P01
Borescope	T700-GE-700	N/A	201003079-10
Cable adapter	T700-GE-700	4920-01-170-0940	201003079-20
Metal light carrier	T700-GE-700	4920-01-170-2917	201003079-21
Lamp	T700-GE-700	6240-01-170-2916	201003079-22
Light supply	T700-GE-700	4920-01-170-1230	201003079-23
Fuse	T700-GE-700	N/A	201003079-38
Aircraft engine test set	T700-GF-701	4920-01-319-3960	21C7085G02

# A Race for PM

Sebring International Raceway

THE WORLD-FAMOUS 12 HOUR ENDURANCE
TEST IS IN ITS FINAL LAPS.









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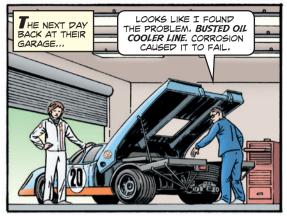
















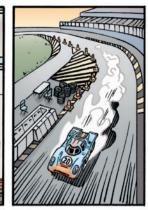










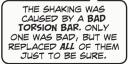




































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MACHINE HAS WORKED HIS WAY INTO THE TOP 5 WITH JUST 90 MINUTES LEFT IN THE RACE!













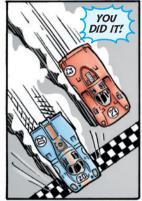
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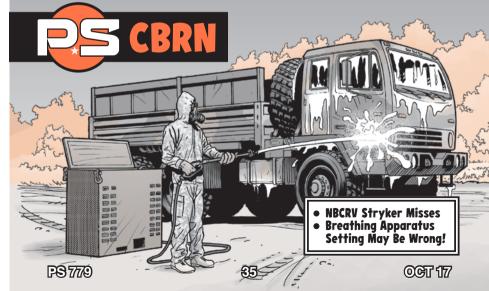














backing out.

SPC Benjamin Credeur Camp Beauregard, LA



CATCH LOOSE PARTS

Dear Editor.

The explosive kick of fired rounds is eventually going to loosen parts on your M16-series rifle and M4/M4A1 carbine. It's important to find and fix loose parts before they stop your weapon in its tracks.

The most important check is the barrel. After so many fired rounds, the barrel starts to back out. A loose barrel affects accuracy and headspace and could even blow up!

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Don't hold the lower receiver when you feel the barrel for looseness. There will normally be movement between the upper and lower receivers. Separate the receivers and hold the bottom of the upper receiver while twisting the barrel. Grip the barrel around the front sight assembly for better leverage. If you feel any movement, report it.



Hold bottom of upper receiver with one hand and barrel around front sight with the other, then twist barrel to see if it's loose

> Feel the pistol grip for looseness. If it gets too loose, the selector switch spring can bend. The switch could switch itself or it could be difficult to turn. If the grip is loose at all, report it.

Feel pistol arip for looseness

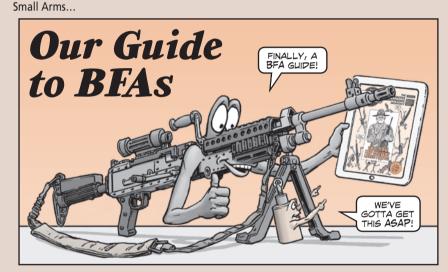
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James Garner Gary Crippen Ft Riley, KS

**Editor's note:** We agree. If you would like a copy of James and Gary's BFA guide, email us at:

usarmy.redstone.logsa.mbx.psmag@mail.mil

Also check the rear sling swivel. If the swivel screw comes out, you can't use the sling. Just tighten the screw if it's



Dear Editor.

JBLM, WA

In our role as TACOM LARS, we run into some confusion about which blank firing attachments (BFA) to use on the various small arms. Using the wrong BFA can hurt weapon performance and even damage the weapon.

Unfortunately, some small arms TMs still haven't caught up with new BFAs. To clear up confusion, we developed a comprehensive list of what BFAs go with which weapons, including those used with the various versions of the M240 and those for the M240 and M249 standard and short barrels. Every armorer should get a copy.



## DON'T GET STUCK BY STUCK ROUNDS!

Dear Editor,

We've run into a few cases where gunners tried to unstick a stuck round in a M240B machine gun by kicking the charging handle. That's an **extremely** bad step to take. Kicking the handle loosens the rivets on the charging rails on the side of the receiver. The M240B is finished.

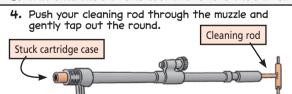
Don't hit the carrying handle to get the barrel off, either. That can break off the handle, which means having to get a new barrel.

Stuck rounds are usually caused by corroded rounds or a dirty chamber. So the best ways to prevent stuck rounds are to first examine all rounds for corrosion and dirt. If any rounds are corroded, don't use them. If they're dirty, clean them.

Then thoroughly clean the chamber with your cleaning rod and CLP. If you're firing lots of rounds, stop and clean the chamber again.

But if you do get a stuck round, carefully follow the procedure in the TM:

- 1. Charge the gun and put the safety on safe (S).
- 2. Push the cocking handle to the forward locked position.
- 3. Wait until the barrel is cool and remove the barrel.



Scott Taylor Small Arms Repair Ft Benning, GA

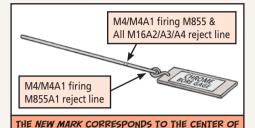
Editor's note:

Gunners should stick with your suggestions on stuck rounds, Scott, Thanks,

### M4/M4A1 Carbine... M855A1 Ammo Requires DIFFERENT Gaging

FAIL THE BARREL EROSION GAGE TEST AFTER FIRING JUST A FEW THOUSAND M855A1 ROUNDS. THAT'S BECAUSE THE CURRENT MARK ON THE BARREL EROSION GAGE IS SPECIFIC TO M855 AND M193 AMMO.

BUT THE MARK IS NOT ACCURATE FOR M855A1 ROUNDS, SO FOR M45 THAT FIRE ALL OR MOSTLY M855A1 ROUNDS, THE GAGING PROCEDURE IS CHANGED. THE REJECT MARK IS MOVED 2.3 INCHES FROM THE CURRENT REJECT MARK.



THE TAG HOLE LOCATED ON THE CURRENT BORE

EROSION GAGE, NSN 5220-01-014-8183.

EVENTUALLY, A GAGE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR CHECKING M4 BARRELS THAT FIRE PRIMARILY M855A1 AMMO.

MIG RIFLES WILL CONTINUE TO BE GAGED THE SAME REGARDLESS OF THE AMMO THEY FIRE.

FOR MORE INFO, SEE TACOM LCMC MAINTENANCE INFORMATION MESSAGE 17-018: https://tulsa.tacom.armu.mil/Maintenance/message.cfm?id=MII7-018.html

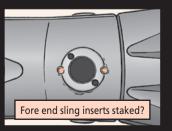


Operators need to check for loose inserts. First see if the fore end sling inserts are staked. You should see a small indent. No stake? Tell your repairman.

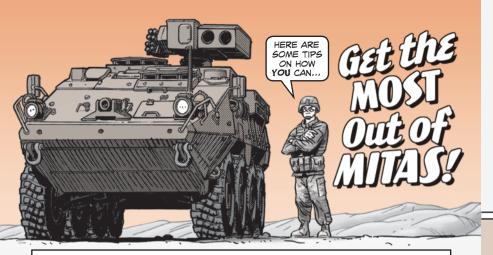
Grasp the fore end and buttstock and twist. If the fore end assembly twists at all, it needs to be replaced.

For replacement instructions, send the weapon's serial number to the sniper team equipment specialists:

> michael.b.price.civ@mail.mil or eugene.v.meade2.civ@mail.mil



For more information, see TACOM LCMC maintenance action message MA17-021 at: https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/Maintenance/message.cfm?id=MA17-021.html



Dear Editor.

While supporting the modified improved target acquisition system (MITAS), I've picked up a few tips to help units get the most out of MITAS:

Train, train. The only formal training available for MITAS is at Ft Benning's Stryker Master Gunner Course. Units should send qualified and experienced NCOs to the course and then those trained gunners should help train others in their units.

The training needs to happen every month so it stays fresh in operators' minds. Gunners and crews should first master actual MITAS turret operations (raise, stow, scan, load and unload) then practice MITAS sight picture adjustments, target passive ranging and using aided target tracker. Then they can practice target engagement and gunnery skills with the anti-tank guided missile (ATGM) basic skill trainer (BST) and the Stryker TOW simulator (STS).

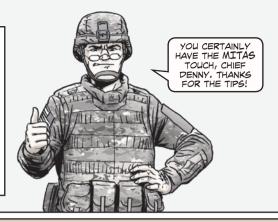
Without monthly training, operators forget simple things like first unlocking the turret. Then the turret motor burns out.



**Don't muscle up on the missile locking handle.** Especially during crew drills, Soldiers try to force the handle to lock. Bad move! If the handle won't lock in place easily, the missile is probably misaligned. Reposition the missile and try again. Forcing the handle can break the tension adjustment, the arming control unit or the handle itself.

Hammerhead drifting?
Suspect the elevation
motor lock worm. If the
hammerhead drifts up on its
own, try this quick check.
With the power off, pull
down on the launcher. If it
moves down, the elevation
motor lock worm needs to
be replaced. This has been a
frequent problem for us.

CW3 Michael Denny Ft Bliss, TX

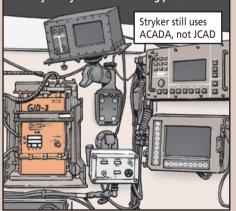


# NBCRV Stryker Misses

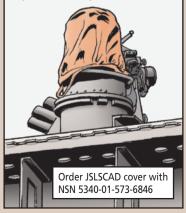


THE PM STRYKER BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM HAS POINTED OUT THERE WERE A COUPLE OF MISSES ON PAGES 36-37 IN PS 773 (APR 17):

 The M1135 NBCRV Stryker still uses the ACADA, not the newer JCAD. So before you hit the road, make sure the ACADA, AN/VDR-2 and AN/UDR-13 are securely clamped in place. Otherwise, a rough bump can send them flying. That damages them and you if you're in the wrong place.



 The joint service lightweight standoff chemical agent detector (JSLSCAD) has a real cover, not a piece of foam as pictured. Order the canvas cover with NSN 5340-01-573-6846. And use it. It protects the expensive lens.



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M159, M164 CBRN DR SKO...

# Breathing Apparatus Setting May Be WRONG!

SOME SELF-CONTAINED
BREATHING APPARATUS (SCBA)
HARNESSES THAT ARE PART
OF THE MIS9 AND MIG4 CBRN
DISMOUNTED RECONNAISSANCE
SETS, KITS AND OUTFITS
(DR SKO) MAY HAVE THE
WRONG SETTING FOR THE
LOW-AIR ALARM THRESHOLD.

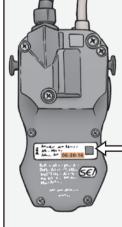


THE WARNING LIGHT ON THE SCBA MASK'S HEAD'S-UP DISPLAY SHOULD BE TRIGGERED WHEN THERE IS LESS THAN 33 PERCENT BREATHABLE AIR REMAINING IN THE SCBA AIR CYLINDER.

BUT SOME SCBAS ARE SET FOR 25 PERCENT.



Alarm should sound when needle reaches 33 percent



TO PETERMINE IF YOU HAVE AN SCBA WITH THE WRONG SETTING, CHECK THE LABEL ON THE GAUGE OR PAGE CONSOLE. IT WILL SHOW THE MANUFACTURING DATE AS MONTH-PAY-YEAR.

IF THE DATE IS PRIOR TO JULY 20, 2016, GET THE SCBA'S FIRMWARE UPDATED.

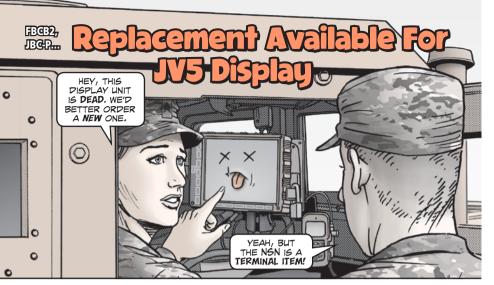
SCOTT SAFETY, INC. WILL DO THIS FOR FREE.

TO SCHEPULE THE UPPATE, CONTACT SCOTT SAFETY AT (800) 247-7257 AND CHOOSE THE TECHNICAL SUPPORT OPTION. OR EMAIL: ScottTechsupport@tycoint.com

IN THE MEANTIME, THE SCBA IS STILL SAFE TO USE. JUST REMEMBER TO MONITOR
THE AIR PRESSURE GAGE AND TO
FIND CLEAR AIR WHEN THE SCBA
REGULATOR'S VIBRATION ALERT
GOES OFF, THAT ENSURES YOU
HAVE ENOUGH AIR TO SAFELY
LEAVE THE HOT ZONE AND
COMPLETE YOUR MISSION.

FOR CBRN DR SKO QUESTIONS IN GENERAL, CONTACT SCOTT LUBAG AT (410) 417-3523 OR EMAIL: SCOTT.C.lubag.civ@mail.mil





(°) PERATORS, THE JV5 DISPLAY, NSNS 7025-01-526-5612 AND 7025-01-598-1454, USED WITH YOUR FORCE XXI BATTLE COMMAND BRIGADE-AND-BELOW (FBCB2) OR JOINT BATTLE COMMAND-PLATFORM (JBC-P) IS NO LONGER REPAIRABLE. AND THE -5612 NSN IS A TERMINAL ITEM.

#### SO WHAT DO YOU DO FOR A REPLACEMENT?

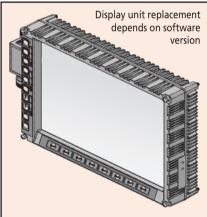
THE FIRST THING TO CHECK IS THE SOFTWARE VERSION.

IF YOU'RE USING VERSION 6.5 SOFTWARE, THE REPLACEMENT DISPLAY IS STILL NSN 7025-01-598-1454.

FOR OTHER SOFTWARE VERSIONS, ORDER THE MOBILE FAMILY OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS (MFOCS) 12-IN DISPLAY UNIT, NSN 7025-01-622-8848.

THIS DISPLAY UNIT IS COMPATIBLE WITH JV5 SYSTEMS.

THE JV5 DISPLAY IS USED WITH THE FOLLOWING DIGITAL COMPUTER SETS:



- AN/UYK-128(V)1, NSN 7010-01-475-5277
- AN/UYK-128(V)3, NSN 7010-01-513-8459
- AN/UYK-128A(V)3, NSN 7010-01-597-1569
  - AN/UYK-128B(V)3, NSN 7010-01-618-5798

THE MFOCS DISPLAY UNIT IS PART OF THE AN/UYK-128D(V)3 DIGITAL COMPUTER SET, NSN 7010-01-626-9244.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT LARRY HALL, DSN 648-6437, (443) 395-6437, OR EMAIL: larry.l.hall10.civ@mail.mil

Command Post Platform...

### KEEP QUICK IN QUICK ERECTION MAST



Dear Editor,

The Command Post Platform comes equipped with an AB-1386/U quick erection antenna mast (QEAM) that you manually crank up and down.

Unfortunately, over time the mast sections get harder and harder to move as they get dirty and their lube quits lubricating.

We put the quick back in quick erection by cleaning and lubing the mast. Raise one section, clean off all dirt and old lube, then relube, raise the next section and repeat. It takes 15 minutes to do all four sections. Graphite grease works best.

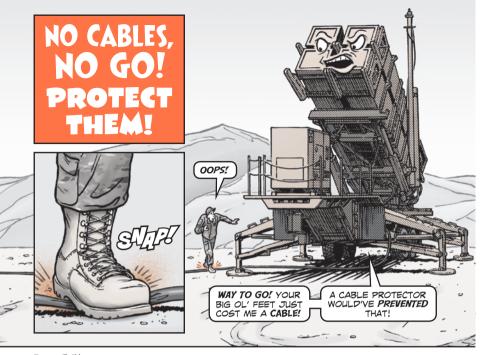
When the mast again becomes difficult to crank, clean and lube again.

SFC Nelson Garcia SPC Carlos Hernandez SPC Tyrone Lymos Ft Carson, CO



**Editor's note:** A quick fix for the quick erection mast! Thanks, guys.

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Dear Editor,

When units set up in the field, there are cables everywhere: power cables, antenna cables, commo cables—the list goes on.

The cables are critical. Just one damaged cable could shut down operations and many cost big bucks to replace. That's why it's vital units do everything possible to protect cables.

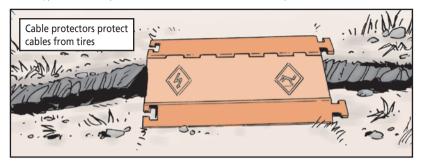
Some cables are so fragile that one step can damage them. Those cables should be buried in a shallow trench.

Cables left on top of the ground should at least be marked with flags during the day and with glowsticks at night to prevent Soldiers tripping over them and trucks driving over them.



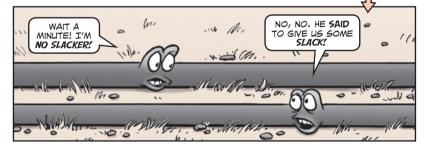


In high traffic areas, cable protectors that shield cables from vehicles are a good investment. Hundreds of protectors are available in the supply system. Just type in "cable protectors" in FED LOG for a complete list.



Here are a few	Length x Width (in inches)	NSN 5975-	Material
to get you started:	10 x 2.5	01-117-0591	Aluminum
started:	20 x 2.187	00-782-1757	Aluminum
	23.5 x 4.14	01-197-8278	Aluminum
	36 x 1.5	01-253-6583	Plastic
	36 x 20	01-469-0892	Plastic
	47.75 x 2	01-075-7825	Aluminum
	60 x 1.281	00-233-6234	Steel
	60 x 2	01-470-3560	Plastic
	60 x 2.188	00-247-5062	Steel
	60 x 16	01-559-0051	Plastic
	96 x 2.188	00-280-3983	Steel

It's also important to leave **slack** in cables when hooking them up. That makes it less likely a cable will be ripped out of its connector if someone does trip over it.



CPT David Anderson Ft Carson, CO **Editor's note:** Cable protection is a must and worth every minute of effort. Thanks for the suggestions, Captain.

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SO FROM HEAD TO TOE, HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CLEANING AND CARING FOR YOUR CLOTHING AND GEAR!



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#### **Boots**

YOUR HOT WEATHER AND TEMPERATE WEATHER ARMY COMBAT BOOTS ARE ALREADY WATER-RESISTANT.

#### SO DON'T WATERPROOF THEM

THAT JUST CLOGS THE PORES IN THE LEATHER, HEAT AND MOISTURE GET TRAPPED INSIDE, TURNING YOUR BOOTS INTO A SAUNA.

CLEAN THESE BOOTS WITH A STIFF NYLON BRUSH, RINSE THEM LIGHTLY IN WARM WATER, THEN AIR DRY THEM.

THE SAME THING GOES FOR POLISHING AND SPIT-SHINING,

#### DON'T DO IT

THAT ALSO CLOGS PORES. THESE ARE NO-SHINE BOOTS DESIGNED TO BREATHE, BOOTS THAT BREATHE MEAN YOUR FEET STAY DRIER AND COOLER.

DON'T EXPOSE THE BOOTS TO EXCESSIVE HEAT LIKE HAIR DRYERS, STOVES OR HEATING VENTS TO DRY.

AND NO ALCOHOL OR OIL-BASED CLEANERS! THEY CAN DAMAGE

#### Army Combat Uniform (ACU) TO LAUNDER YOUR ACU, REMOVE CLOSE ALL HOOK-AND-TURN THE UNIFORM ALL PATCHES FROM THE COAT. LOOP FASTENERS. INSIDE-OUT. MACHINE WASH IN COLD WATER ON THE PERMANENT PRESS CYCLE USING A MILD DETERGENT THAT **DOESN'T** CONTAIN BLEACH, WHITENERS, BRIGHTENERS OR SOFTENERS. RINSE COMPLETELY, BUT **DON'T** WRING OR TWIST THE CLOTHING. HANG DRY (AVOID **PIRECT SUNLIGHT TO** PREVENT FADING) OR MACHINE DRY ON LOW TO MEDIUM. DO NOT DRY CLEAN, STARCH, USE CHLORINE BLEACH OR HAVE THE ACU COMMERCIALLY

#### **Hydration Systems**





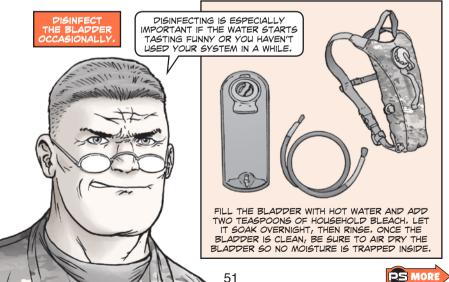
IF YOU DON'T REGULARLY CLEAN YOUR HYDRATION SYSTEM, IT CAN BECOME STIFF AND UNCOMFORTABLE TO WEAR AND, EVEN WORSE, MAKE THE WATER TASTE TERRIBLE!

HAND WASH THE CARRIER IN COLD WATER WITH A MILD DETERGENT. DON'T USE CHLORINE BLEACH, CLEANING FLUIDS OR SOLVENTS.



IF POSSIBLE, REMOVE THE BLADDER FROM THE CARRIER, FILL IT WITH WARM WATER AND ADD TWO TEASPOONS OF BAKING SODA TO A FULL BLADDER OF WATER, WITH A SOFT BRUSH, SCRUB THE BLADDER (ESPECIALLY THE INSIDE), THE DRINKING TUBE AND THE BITE VALVE. LET IT SOAK FOR 30 MINUTES, THEN RINSE.





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#### Interceptor Body Armor (IBA)

FIRST CHECK OUT THE CONDITION OF THE IBA FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS IN TM 10-8470-208-10. THEN DISASSEMBLE AND CLEAN THE IBA LIKE IT SAYS IN THE +10.

INSPECT
THE OUTER
TACTICAL
VEST'S CLOTH
CARRIERS
FOR:

- cuts, rips, tears, holes or burns
- loose stitching
- broken or missing buckles, snaps or hook-and-loop fasteners



SMALL ARMS PROTECTIVE INSERTS SHOULD BE INSPECTED BEFORE EACH USE TO ENSURE THERE ARE NO SURFACE CRACKS THAT COULD HURT THEIR PERFORMANCE.

IF YOU SPOT ANY PROBLEMS, ASK FOR A NEW IBA. DAMAGED PANELS AND INSERTS CAN'T PROTECT AS WELL. TO CLEAN THE IBA, USE A CLOTH OR SOFT BRUSH TO SWEEP AWAY LOOSE DIRT FROM THE CARRIERS AND THE HOOK-AND-LOOP FASTENERS.



#### REMOVE THE BALLISTIC PANELS AND INSERTS BEFORE WASHING.

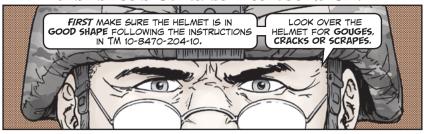
WET THE CARRIERS WITH COLD OR LUKEWARM WATER AND HAND WASH THEM WITH MILD DETERGENT AND A SOFT BRUSH. RINSE THOROUGHLY IN CLEAN, LUKEWARM WATER.

HANG THE CLOTH CARRIERS TO DRY
(AVOID DIRECT SUNLIGHT TO PREVENT
FADING). NEVER MACHINE DRY THEM OR
HANG THEM NEAR A HEATER OR
OPEN FLAME.



DON'T BLEACH, IRON, TAPE, MACHINE WASH OR DRY BALLISTIC PANELS, IF THE PANELS AND INSERTS GET WET, LET THEM AIR DRY FLAT. NEVER DRY THEM NEAR A HEATER OR OPEN FLAME.

#### **Advanced Combat Helmet (ACH)**



IS THE CHIN STRAP HARD-WARE WORN, CRACKED, LOOSE OR MISSING?

INSPECT THE
CHIN STRAP
WEBBING FOR
CUTS, TEARS
OR RIPPED
STITCHING. LOOK
FOR DAMAGED
PADS.

IF THE OUTER
FABRIC IS TORN
AND THE INNER
FOAM EXPOSED,
REPLACE THE
PAD.

REPAIR PARTS FOR THE ACH ARE FOUND IN TM 10-8470-204-10. TO CLEAN YOUR ACH, ALL YOU NEED IS A CLOTH OR A SOFT BRISTLE BRUSH AND MILD LAUNDRY DETERGENT. REMOVE THE CHIN STRAP WEBBING AND TAKE OUT THE SUSPENSION PADS FROM THE HELMET SHELL. TAKE OFF THE HELMET COVER.

MACHINE WASH THE CHIN STRAP, PAPS AND HELMET COVER ON THE GENTLE CYCLE WITH COLD WATER AND PETERGENT. OR YOU CAN SCRUB THEM BY HAND. FREQUENT WASHING HELPS PREVENT OPOR.

RINSE THEM THOROUGHLY WITH CLEAN WATER AND LET THEM AIR DRY, BUT NOT IN DIRECT SUNLIGHT, DON'T MACHINE DRY, THAT CAN SHRINK THE FABRIC OR DAMAGE THE PAPS.

WASH THE SHELL THE SAME WAY.

Machine or hand wash chin strap, cover and pads

RINSE<sup>\*</sup>IT WITH *CLEAN WATER* AND LET IT AIR DRY (NOT IN DIRECT SUNLIGHT). USE A **TOOTHBRUSH** TO CLEAN DIRT AND DEBRIS FROM THE HOOK DISKS ON THE INSIDE OF THE SHELL, KEEPING THE HOOKS AND LOOPS CLEAN HELPS THE PADS STICK.

#### **Need More Info?**

TM 10-8400-201-23&P, GENERAL REPAIR PROCEDURES FOR CLOTHING,

HAS INFO ON ACUS, CAPS AND HATS, COLD WEATHER CLOTHING, WET WEATHER PARKAS AND TROUSERS AND MUCH MORE.

TM 10-8400-203-23&P, GENERAL REPAIR PROCEDURES FOR INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT,

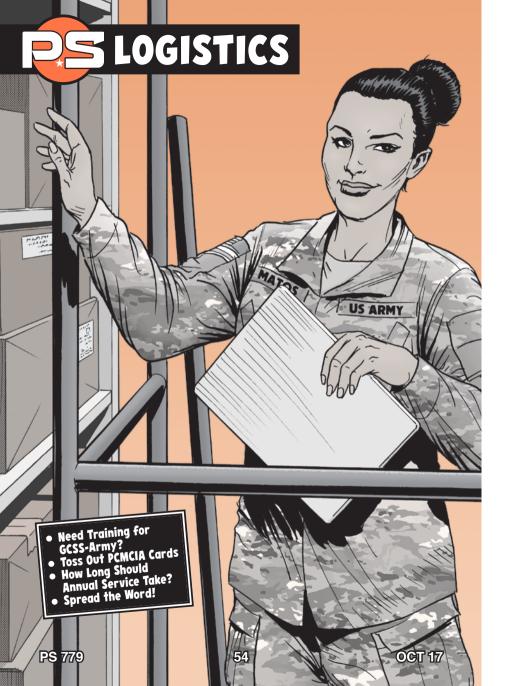
COVERS EVERYTHING FROM SLEEPING BAGS, DUFFEL BAGS, RUCKS AND FRAMES, SKI EQUIPMENT AND MOUNTAINEERING GEAR.

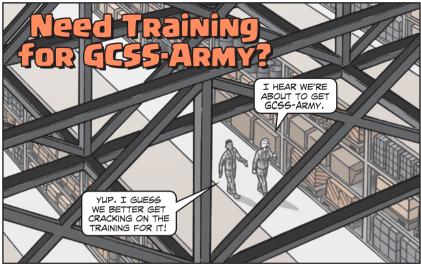
TM 10-8400-205-23&P, GENERAL REPAIR PROCEDURES FOR PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT,

COVERS HELMETS AND BODY ARMOR.

THE TMS CITED IN THIS ARTICLE ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT: https://liw.logsa.armu.mil/etm/app/#/etm/home







lobal Combat Support System-Army (GCSS-Army) is complex, takes time to learn and doesn't lend itself to shortcuts. But with proper training and effort, you can make your unit's GCSS-Army rollout successful.

The first task to complete is familiarization training on the GCSS-Army website: <a href="http://gcss.army.mil/training/">http://gcss.army.mil/training/</a>



The next step is web-based Training for Record. Register at this web address: <a href="http://gcss.army.mil/GTRAC/">http://gcss.army.mil/GTRAC/</a>

The GCSS-Army Training and Certification (GTRAC) system is mandatory. You must complete it and earn the appropriate certificates before moving on to New Equipment Training (NET).

Need more information on GCSS-Army training? Watch the short, informative video, *Learning GCSS-Army the Right Way:* 

https://www.milsuite.mil/video/watch/newvideo/14461

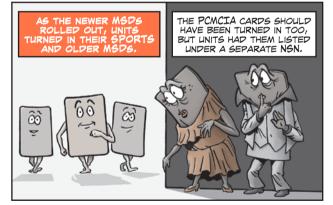
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STILL HAVE DM224 PCMCIA CARDS AROUND? GET RID OF THEM!







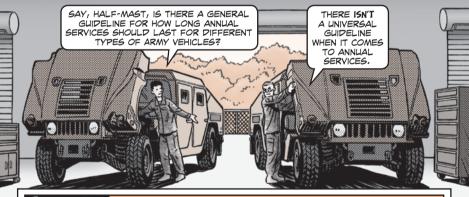
THAT MEANS THERE ARE STILL UNITS WITH PCMCIA CARDS ON THEIR TEST MEASUREMENT DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT (TMDE) CALIBRATION MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS, THOSE CARDS ARE STILL CALIBRATED EVERY YEAR - A WASTE OF TIME AND MONEY. THE CARDS ARE NOW LISTED AS TERMINAL ITEMS, PROCUREMENT ISN'T AUTHORIZED AND CALIBRATION IS NO LONGER NECESSARY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THESE OBSOLETE CARDS IN YOUR SHOP, GET RID OF THEM. THEY'RE LISTEP AS EXPENDABLE, NON-RECOVERABLE ITEMS WITH NO DEMILITARIZATION NEEDED, SO NOTHING SPECIAL IS REQUIRED. YOU CAN JUST TOSS 'EM OUT.





## HOW LONG SHOULD ANNUAL SERVICES TAKES





YOU'LL HAVE TO USE THE MAINTENANCE ALLOCATION CHART (MAC) FOUND IN EACH INDIVIDUAL TM TO DETERMINE HOW LONG IT TAKES TO PERFORM ANNUAL SERVICE FOR THAT PARTICULAR PIECE OF EQUIPMENT.

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# SPREAD THE WORDS



WHAT DO YOU NORMALLY DO WHEN YOU FIND A MISTAKE IN YOUR TM?



DO YOU HUFF, UHH... MUTTER SOMETHING UNDER YOUR BREATH, GRAB A PEN AND FIX THE ERROR?

THEN YOU'RE LIKE HUNDREDS OF OTHER OPERATORS AND MECHANICS WHO'VE RUN INTO THE SAME PROBLEM.

WHEN YOU CATCH A MISTAKE IN A TM OR FIGURE OUT A BETTER WAY TO COMPLETE A MAINTENANCE TASK, YOU SHOULD SUBMIT THAT CHANGE TO THE PROPER LIFE CYCLE MANAGEMENT COMMAND (LCMC) ON A DA FORM 2028

YOU COULD SAVE YOURSELF AND YOUR FELLOW SOLDIERS THE TIME AND THE TROUBLE OF CORRECTING FUTURE TM RELEASES.



WHICH LCMC DO YOU SUBMIT YOUR DA FORM 2028 TO2

WELL, THAT DEPENDS ON THE EQUIPMENT. HERE'S THE INFORMATION YOU NEED!

#### TACOM LCMC

Online: https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/da2028/da2028.cfm Email: usarmy.detroit.tacom.mbx.ilsc-techpubs@mail.mil

Fax: DSN 786-1856 or (586) 282-1856 Letter: ATTN: AMSTA-LCL-IMP/Tech Pubs

MS #727

6501 E. 11 Mile Road. Warren, MI 48397-5000 Note: Send TACOM your DA Form 2028 if your corrections or suggestions include TACOM supported vehicles, armaments, **CBRN** and Soldier support equipment.

#### **AMCOM LCMC**

Online: https://amcom2028.redstone.armv.mil/Default.aspx

Email: 2028@redstone.army.mil

Fax: (256) 842-6546 Letter: Commander

**US Army Aviation and Missile Command** 

ATTN: AMSAM-MSS-LP

Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898-5000

Note: The AMCOM 2028 website requires you to use your Common Access Card (CAC). You'll need to register the first time you log on.

#### **CECOM LCMC**

Online: https://cecom.aep.army.mil/cecom/LRC/WebPages/DAForm2028.aspx <

Email: usarmy.APG.cecom.mbx.amsel-lc-leo-pubs-chg@mail.mil

Fax: DSN 848-5521 or (443) 861-5521

Letter: Commander, US Army CECOM LCMC

6001 Combat Drive Attn: AMSEL-LCL-ECM

Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD 21005-1846

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DA form 2028 to CECOM online, you'll get a control number so you can check the status of your submission.



IF YOU FIND AN ERROR IN YOUR TM OR COME UP WITH A BETTER PROCEDURE THAN THE TM PROVIDES, DON'T KEEP IT TO YOURSELF. SPREAD THE WORD!

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# Connie's POST SCRIPTS



# HTARS Fuel and Oil Servicing

Order the HEMTT tanker aviation refueling system's (HTARS) fuel and oil servicing nozzle with NSN 4930-01-544-2307. It replaces open port nozzle, PN 64014, NSN 4930-01-516-0839 (PN 64014), which is shown as Item 1 in Fig C-1 of TM 10-4930-247-13&P (Feb 94, w/ch6, Nov 98).

#### New Bradley Busk III Battery

THE HAWKER AGM BATTERY, NSN 6140-01-662-7350, IS APPROVED FOR USE ON A2 ODS, A3 AND SA BRADLEYS WITH THE BUSK III MODIFICATION.

THE HAWKER BATTERY IS

INTERCHANGEABLE, WITHIN THE SAME
BANK OF BATTERIES, WITH EXIDE'S AGM
SINGLE-POST BATTERY, NSN 6140-01582-5710. BUT DON'T MIX EXIDES WITH
HAWKERS IN THE SAME BATTERY BOX.
MIXING BATTERIES CAN CAUSE
VOLTAGE REVERSAL.

THE EXIDE
BATTERY WILL
NO LONGER
BE ISSUED
TO SUPPORT
THE BRADLEY
FOV AS OF
JANUARY 2018.



# EPLRS Packaging Caution

Ready to turn in excess enhanced position locating reporting system (EPLRS) equipment? Make sure all of those items—especially receiver-transmitters, control-readout units and power adapter units—are properly packaged to prevent damage during shipping. Check out the packaging codes in FED LOG and MIL-STD-2073 for more info on packaging requirements. Questions? Contact RDECOM's David Yanosik at DSN 648-6232, (443) 395-6232, or email:

david.w.yanosik.civ@mail.mil

# LS-671/VRC SINCGARS Loudspeakers Needed for Turn-in

Tobyhanna Army Depot needs all your unserviceable LS-671/VRC SINCGARS radio loudspeakers, NSN 5965-01-222-1420, turned in ASAP. Send them now to:

DODAAC: W25G1W W1A8 DLA DIST-TOBYANNA 11 Hap Arnold Blvd Bldg 11 Tobyhanna. PA 18466-5059

Questions? Contact Cathy Siegel, DSN 648-6295, (443) 395-6295 or email:

cathy.l.siegel2.civ@mail.mil

#### **SCPL Update**

Pages 11-14 of PS 768 (Nov 16) had an article on the new single common powertrain lubricant (SCPL) that caused some confusion in the field. Unfortunately, that information was published prior to coordination with TACOM. Therefore, it's important that all units continue to comply with their vehicle and equipment TMs for the type of oil to use. Also follow the SCPL guidance in TACOM Maintenance Information message 17-028:

https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/Maintenance/message.cfm?id=MI17-028.html

#### M1078A1 LMTV 100-amp Alternator Pulley

Get the 100-amp alternator pulley for your M1078A1 LMTV with NSN 3020-01-506-0051. NSN 3120-01-524-8408, which is shown as Item 10 in Fig 508 of TM 9-2320-391-13&P, brings the alternator bushing.

#### M1078A1P2 LMTV Rear Cab Mount Cylinder

Get the M1078A1P2 LMTV's rear cab mount cylinder with NSN 3040-01-647-0564. It replaces NSN 3040-01-566-8628, which is shown as Item 39 in Fig 40 of TM 9-2320-333-13&P in IETM EM 0294 (Jun 15). That NSN is a terminal item.

#### BATTERY BOX COATING COMPOUND

Get a gallon of bituminous coating compound for your battery box with NSN 8030-00-290-5141. First use a wire brush to scrape off rust and old paint. After cleanup, protect the bare metal inside the box with a coat of the compound.

#### BHL Fuel/Water Separator Filter NSN

Order a new fuel/water separator filter for your backhoe loader (BHL) with NSN 2910-01-546-31**7**8. NSN 2910-01-546-31**9**8, which is shown as Item 3 in the mandatory replacement parts list on WP 0088-9 of TM 5-2420-231-23-2 (Jul 13) and as Item 4 in Fig 35 of TM 5-2420-231-24P (Jun 13) is a typo and brings the wrong part.

# FMTV LTAS CAB DOOR SHOCK ABSORBER

Get a new shock absorber for the cab door on your FMTV LTAS with NSN 5340-01-627-6602. This replaces PN 12505335-001, which is shown as Item 34 in Fig 1041 of TM 9-2320-333-13&P in IETM EM 0294 (Jun 15).

# MIO7OAI HET Alternator NSN

Get a new alternator for your M1070A1 heavy equipment transporter (HET) with NSN 6115-01-655-9056. It replaces NSN 6115-01-555-6342, which is shown as Item 1 in Fig 54 of TM 9-2320-427-138P (Jan 11).

#### M777A2s Still Use MSD·V2

Crewmen, the only maintenance computer authorized for the M777A2 howitzer is maintenance support device-version 2 (MSD-V2) with Windows XP.

The M777A2 is not yet compatible with the MSD-V3 with Windows 7. So for now, continue to use the MSD-V2, NSNs 6625-01-536-1764, 6625-01-562-9904, 6625-01-573-3587 and 6625-01-493-8968 with Windows XP.

Would You Stake Your Life fight on the Condition of Your Equipment?

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Thinks he has ALL the answers.



BETTER MAINTENANCE

AND SAFER EQUIPMENT!

MURPHY'S LAW #17: Anything is possible if you don't know what you're talking about.