

Engines...

Idled Engines End Up in the Shop

Privers, hurry-up-and-wait is SOP in the Army. But you're asking for trouble if you keep your truck's engine idling while you wait.

A long, slow idle will damage the engine. The engine won't get hot enough to burn all the fuel in the combustion chambers. Engines like it hot—up to operating temperature. Running an engine below operating temperature leaves carbon deposits on the valve stems, which fouls the valves.///



The push rods have to work harder because of the carbon to do their job, and if you keep the engine idling, the results are burnt valves and worn out or bent push rods.

And there's more...blowby. Blowby is the unburned fuel and moisture formed by condensation that slips past the pistons and gets into the crankcase. There it becomes acid and sludge in the engine oil.

The acid breaks down the oil and the oil doesn't lubricate the bearings like it should. The sludge blocks lube passages and oil can't get through to lube the engine.

Metal rubs metal. That causes friction, which makes heat. Parts wear out quicker, bearings burn up and the engine stops—cold.

All this damage can be prevented. Watch how long you let the engine warm up in the morning—5 to 10 minutes is the limit.

If you have to idle the engine, do it at fast idle. It's better to burn a little extra fuel than to damage the engine. High idle holds down trouble, if you keep an eye on the tachometer and the TEMP gage.

Find the RPM's that keep the engine temperature in the normal operating range spelled out in your truck's -10 TM. That will keep your engine warm and working like it should.





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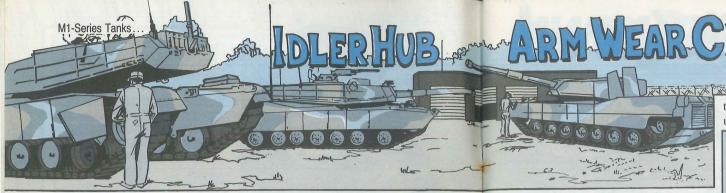
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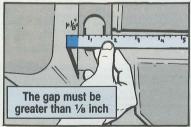
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The upper spindle bearings on an M1 tank's compensating idler hub and arm are harder than the spindle metal. They're grinding away at the softer metal of the spindle.

Until new bushings designed to solve this problem hit the field, here's what you need to do to keep your M1 moving:

Crews, as part of your after-operations checks, open both front fenders and measure the gap between the track end connectors and the #1 skirt. If the gap is less than 1/s-inch—or if the end connectors are touching the skirt—sing out to your mechanic.



Mechs, here's what you do at each semiannual service—or whenever crews report too little room between end connectors and skirts.

1. With the track on the tank and with the correct track tension applied,

eyeball the retainer and idler arm where they join. If there's metal-to-metal contact at the top and a gap at the bottom, the upper spindle is bent. The arm must be monitored closely and lubed at least once every day. Check out LO 9-2350-255-12 or LO 9-2350-264-12 for instructions.



2. If you can insert a 5/32-in Allen wrench (NSN 5120-00-198-5392 from the No. 1 Common tool set) into the



gap between the retainer and the idler arm at the front, the upper spindle and bearings are worn.

Again, the arm must be monitored closely and lubed every day. When the gap is ½-inch, replace the compensating idler arm.

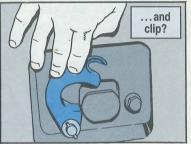
Mechanics, if you don't have to replace the idler arm, but the end con-



nectors are within 1/8-in of the #1 skirt, move out the fender skirt support with shim, NSN 5365-01-102-4737. Use as many shims as necessary, as long as

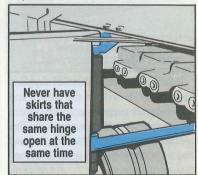


the retaining pin and clip can still be used to close the skirt.



Shimming instructions are found in TM 9-2350-264-20-1-5 on Pages 16-121 through 16-124 and in TM 9-2350-255-20-1-3-4 on Pages 7-255 through 7-260.

As a reminder, when you're working on the skirts, never open two skirts at the same time if they have the same hinge line. The hinge can't take the weight, and neither can any part of your body that happens to be in the way if the skirts fall.



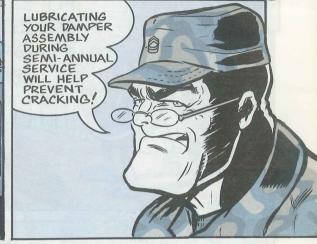
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M2/M3-Series Bradley... CRACKDOWN

ON HY242 CRACKS





eed out unusable barrel support assemblies by eyeballing the damper weld and tubes for cracks. If you find any, you need to see if you have an old barrel support that can be temporarily fixed.



Both the old and new barrel supports have an inside weld at the breech end of the barrel support assembly where the damper assembly is attached. The old barrel supports have a tack weld and new barrel supports have a continuous double weld.

If you have a new barrel support, you can't fix or continue to use it if it has cracks.

If your tube has the tack weld, measure the cracks. If the cracks are shorter than two inches, order a new tube but continue to use the old one. Note on DA Form 2408-4, Weapons Record Data, that the cracks should be re-measured after every firing mission.

If cracks in the weld are longer than two inches, the tube's unusable.

Eyeball the rest of the barrel support tube. If there are any cracks longer than one inch, the tube's no good.

If you find a crack—other than those on the damper weld-less than one inch, fix these older tubes by drilling a 1/8-in hole at the end of the crack farthest from the damper assembly. Drill all the way through the tube. That

relieves the pressure causing the crack and stops it from going farther. Use the tube until you get a new one.



Measure cracks after every firing and continue to stop drill. If any reach one inch, stop using the barrel support tube.

If your barrel support is one of the new ones, you need to fill out a Quality Deficiency Report (SF 368) when you order a new tube and send it to:

Commander **US Army Armament, Munitions** and Chemical Command ATTN: AMSMC-QAD Rock Island, IL 61299-6000

Help prevent cracking by lubricating the damper assembly during semiannual service. The procedure's on Page 2-310 through 2-312 in TM 9-1005-200-20&P.

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here is no place in the Redleg Hall of Fame for crews who loosen obturator spindle nuts to get space enough for the firing mechanism to be closed.

A loose spindle nut causes split primers, blowby and damaged breech and breech ring threads.

A warning on Page 2-125 of TM 9-2350-304-10 tells you, up front, that loosening the obturator spindle nut to get more room for the firing block is out. The nut should be snug.



★ Eyeball the primer. If it's distorted, put it aside for turn-in and get another.

☆ Check out the obturator spindle chamber. If it's dirty, clean it. If it's burred, call in your mechanic.



Prevent the burrs by never hitting the spindle with a hammer or T-handle tool when you remove the obturator. Use a block of wood.

If you still can't close the firing block after doing these things, don't loosen the spindle nut. Call your mechanic.

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Combat Vehicles...

Cap, Plug or Bag Exposed Parts

nless you protect exposed parts from dirt, moisture and damage, all your maintenance work is wasted and your problems multiply.

Any time you work on a vehicle system that has hoses, lines, tubes and fittings—say, during powerpack removal—these things can happen:

Rough handling breaks delicate connector pins and mashes threads.



● Dirt gets into holes and open lines, contaminating fluids and gritting up connections so they won't seal.



Use plastic caps and plugs to cover openings and protect threads until you put everything back together again.

NSN 5340-00-450-5718 gets you 156 caps and plugs in different sizes. Need only certain sizes? Check the FSC 5335-5340 IL microfiche under Cap, Protective, Dust and Moisture Seal, or Cap, Plug, Protective, Dust and Moisture Seal.



Use plastic bags to hold bearings and small parts like nuts and bolts that might get dirty or lost. Larger bags can hold larger parts or disconnected cables, for example.



KEEP'EM CLEAN... KEEP'EM ORGANIZED!

You can tag the bags to make sure everything goes back to the same place.

Bags in different sizes and styles are on FSC 8100 IL microfiche, under Bag, Plastic.

NATO Slave Cable...

Naked Wire Shock



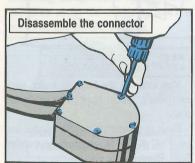
Some folks are getting a charge out of disconnecting the NATO slave cable from their tactical vehicles.

To prevent this shocking development, inspect the slave cable where it goes into the end connector. Look for any bare or exposed wires caused by the insulation pulling back from the connector housing.



If you see bare or exposed wires, do this:

➤ Disassemble the connector and disconnect the cable from the connector.





Cut off the lug terminals. Strip back just enough insulation to put on new lug terminals, NSN 5940-00-115-5004.



Reconnect the cables to the connector.

Make sure the (+) positive lead is reconnected to the center post and the (-) negative lead is reconnected to the negative cup of the connector.

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Reassemble the connector.



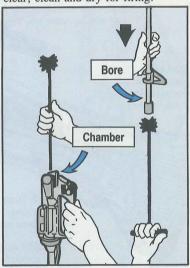
Firing blanks can cause just as many cleaning problems as firing live rounds.

Gun powder residue builds up inside the chamber and bore from firing blanks. If you fire ball or tracer ammunition in an M16 that has a chamber and bore caked with residue, you risk chamber pressure that could cause the rifle to explode.

After firing blanks, clean your M16 just like you would after firing live ammo. Give the chamber and bore areas real workouts with your bore and chamber brushes, cleaning patches, and CLP or LSA. Remember, the bore's not clean until the patch comes out clean.

As part of your BEFORE PMCS, run a cleaning patch through the

chamber and bore to make sure it's clear, clean and dry for firing.





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BE YOUR OWN

INSPECTOR

FRONT SIGHT: out of line, loose,

bulged, cracked; socket area cracked. badly worn: bore BUFFER: dented, cracked, pitted. (Check spare leaking: plunger barrel, too.) weak, drv.

FLASH SUPPRESSOR: cracked, moves more than 1/16 inch.

and washer not safety-wired; piston doesn't slide quickly; piston holes don't match cylinder holes; nut, rivets loose; key washer not seated.

GAS CYLINDER: plug

BARREL: twisted.

OPERATING ROD: bent, cracked; roller moves hard; sear notch worn; driving spring weak, kinked, has flat spots.

Cam

Actuator

Bolt plug

BIPOD: won't lock in stowed and working positions; bipod screws loose; legs won't lock in all four positions; pads loose; leg locks move hard.

Use this handy guide for PMCS on your M60.

REAR SIGHT: bent, sticks. markings hard to see, knobs loose.

CARRYING HANDLE: won't hold in all three positions.

BARREL LOCK: doesn't hold barrel.

SHOULDER STOCK: releasing latch doesn't hold; rivets loose, missing.

M60 Machine Gun...

RECEIVER: loose rivets; cocking handle moves hard.

FEED COVER ASSEMBLY: feed cam bent.

burred, missing spring; front and rear cartridge guides stick; feed tray

rollers bind: cartridge guide

shaft missing cotter pin.

TRIGGER ASSEMBLY: sear chipped, cracked. worn; sear hump not to rear; sear plunger not on top of spring; leaf spring under sear pin.

BOLT: face cracked, pitted; lugs chipped; ejector or extractor weak; bolt plug pin missing; firing pin bent or blunt, spools burred; cam roller sticks.

Bolt Firing pin

Catch the little things before they become big problems.

Guide

Spring



LACING HELP

LACE MY WIRE RIGHT AND I'LL TREAT YOU RIGHT.



Dear Editor.

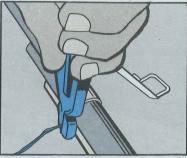
If an M60's gas cylinder safety wire runs through somebody's finger, an armorer can quickly become an unpopular fellow in his unit. We've come up with a quick fix to keep the M60 safe and armorers popular.

Lace wire this way:

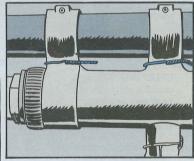
✓ Run the lacing wire through the gas plug or key washer and around the mounting arm.

✓ Set the lacing pliers 1 inch from the mounting arm and twist the wire tight.

✓ Hold the pliers against the barrel to cut the wire. That gives you the right length.



✓ Use the pliers to bend the wire under the barrel where it can't poke anybody.



Lew Lindsey Ft Benning, GA

(Editor's note: You've laced up that problem. Thanks. There's a new gas plug, NSN 1005-01-209-3590, in the system that doesn't require safety wiring. So don't get excited if you get a plug without safety wire holes.)



Recause of the Forward Area Alerting Radar (FAAR) system's heavy load and the rough country it goes over, carrier tires wear out fast. During BEFORE PMCS, closely eyeball tire sides for cracking or dry rot. If you spot any, tell your mechanic.



Before every operation gage all tires and make sure they all have 25 PSI. This will slow tire wear.

The bolts that hold the articulation joint safety pins work loose from the

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bouncing they take. If the bolts come out, the Goat will break apart. Look at the bolts every time before you move out. If you see any shiny spots or rust, report it. Get those bolts tightened before you leave home.



Also, eyeball the rear lower suspension arms for cracking. Report cracked arms to your mechanic.



Take It Easy

Drive slow in rough country. The top-heavy FAAR turns over easily. Keep your speed below 10 MPH.



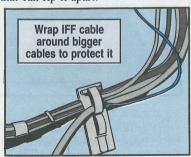
Take the trailer cover off if you're going through rough or hilly country. Otherwise, when you go down and up a dip the antenna rips a hole in the cover.



Cable Countdown

Before you move out, always pull out any slack in the cables that run down the side of the van and tie them back.

The IFF cable is especially defenseless against tree limbs and other things that can rip it apart.



THEY'LL GET PROPER MAINTENANCE REGULARLY.

Protect the IFF cable by disconnecting it and wrapping it around the heavier cables until it's tight. Then reconnect the cable.

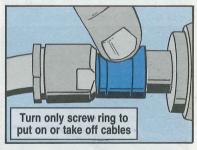
HOSPIT-AL

PARKING

During set up, connect the E1W1 cable to the mast rotary coupler first. Without the other two cables in the way, it's easier to maneuver the heavier E1W1. Give yourself more room by getting as much slack on the E1W1 as possible before you connect it.

Tight is the only way to connect all three cables to the mast rotary coupler. If the cable connections are loose, arcing damages jacks and connectors and causes bandpass filters, circulators and the traveling wave tube to fail. Loose connections also let in water that damages that rotary coupler.

Turn only the cable head's screw ring to tighten cables. If you don't, it's

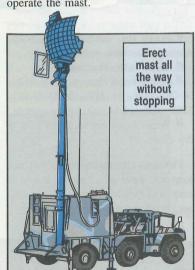


easy to rip the cable's wiring, especially on smaller cables like the W73.

When you disconnect cables, immediately put on the jacks' protective covers. They shut out moisture and dust that cause electrical damage and poor connections.

Mast Musts

Once you start to raise the mast, don't stop until the mast is fully up. You'll hear a loud click when the mast's top section locks in place. If you stop and start, the mast loses pressure and you strain the drive belts that operate the mast.



Before you lower the mast, make sure the W20 cable is clear of the stow bracket. The mast can catch the cable and pinch or cut it. The mast has no power until the W20's replaced.

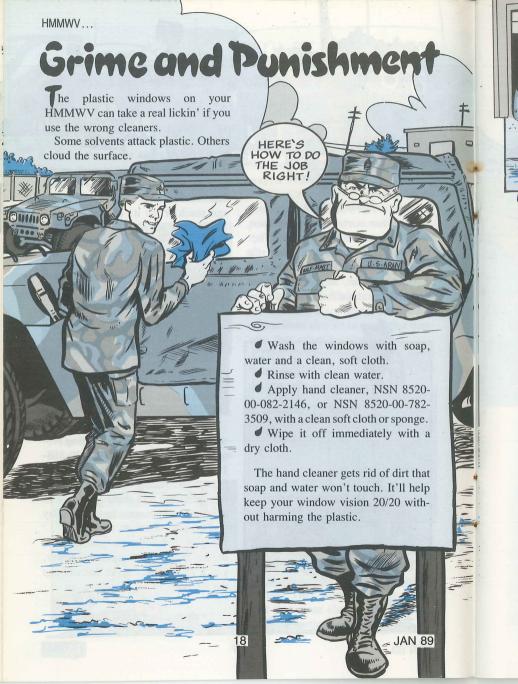


On and Off

Carefully follow the energizing procedure in Table 2-1 in TM 9-1430-588-10 and the de-energizing procedure in Para 2-20. Taking even one shortcut during startup and shutdown leads to damaged components like the K6 relay in the power distribution unit.

If you shut down the generator set before you cut all systems power, you'll get a voltage spike that will zap the K6 relay.

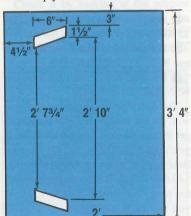






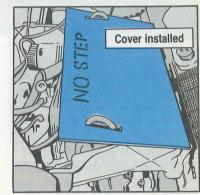
fins stop air flow through the oil cooler and radiator and can cause both the engine and transmission to overheat.

Fins get bent because mechanics crawl onto the oil cooler when they pull PM on the engine or when they adjust belt tension. You can stop all that fin bending by making a cover to protect the oil cooler fins while mechanics work on the engine. You need a piece of 3/4-in plywood cut like so:



Round off the edges and paint the board to prevent splinters.

To use it, remove eye-hook seals and slip it over the two lifting rings and lay it flat on the oil cooler frame. The rings will prevent it from sliding into the raised hood.



The board stops air flow so never use it while the engine is running. It'll cause the engine to overheat. After use, replace eye-hook seals and check for bent cooler fins.

2½- 5-ton
Truck Series...

Warning Light Kit

THAT GUY
13 PROUD
TO LEAD
THE CONVOY
WITH HIS NEW
ROTATING
WARNING



hen your vehicle is used as a lead or trail vehicle in a convoy, you need a rotating warning light. Para 216g of AR 55-162 has the word.

Rotating beacons are already listed in most big truck and recovery vehicle TM's. But if your TM does not list a warning light, your CO can OK a warning light kit.

There are several to choose from:

For 2½- and 5-ton dump trucks, use NSN 6220-01-219-7620. For all other 2½- and 5-ton trucks, use NSN 6220-01-195-1791.

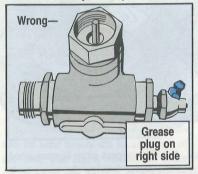
- For the HMMWV, use NSN 2590-01-107-9696.
- For the M936 and 5-ton wrecker, use NSN 6220-00-947-7570.
- For the 5-ton expandable van, use NSN 6220-01-219-7621.

You don't get the amber bubble light with the kit, tho. If you're in the states, get it with NSN 6220-00-947-7570. If you're in USAREUR, get the German Bosch light by using NSN 6220-12-140-0499. You'll also need a connector plug, NSN 5935-12-121-7285, if you use the Bosch light.

Mechs make sure the 90-degree

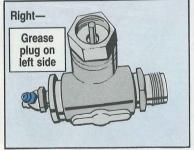
Mechs, make sure the 90-degree angle drive adapter for your speedometer works right before installing it.

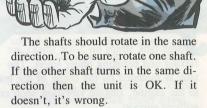
Some adapters were assembled backwards. They'll turn your odometer

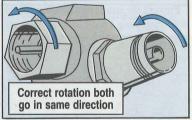


back, damage your speedometer or snap your speedometer cable.

Check it by looking at the adapter with the female connector facing you and in a top position. The grease fitting should be on the left end and the male connection on the right.







Fix it by switching the locations of the male connector (including its worm gear) with the grease fitting plug.

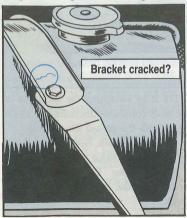
Then test it again. Both drives should be turning the same way.

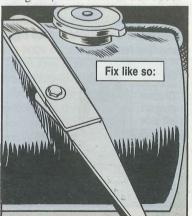
Eyeball your TM to make sure you've got the right adapter for your truck.



tank is mounted on the frame of the truck, but the support strap is connected to the engine. Engine vibration soon cracks the strap, leaving the surge tank without support.

Prevent the strap from cracking and breaking by replacing the nut on the engine strap mounting bolt with a special self-locking nut, NSN 5310-00-984-3806.







Screw on the nut until 1 or 2 threads can be seen below the locking end of the nut. The screw should be loose enough for you to turn it with your fingers. This way the strap is loose enough to absorb the vibrations, but the self-locking nut keeps the bolt from folling out.



- ► Get some rubber material, like an old mud flap, or splash shield, NSN 2450-00-715-7407 and epoxy adhesive, NSN 8040-00-109-2481.
- Remove the broken strap without breaking the spot weld on the tank.
- Use it as a pattern to measure and drill the rubber material. Add 2 inches to the length before cutting out the rubber strap.
- ▶ Drill a ½-in hole in the rubber strip that matches the hole in the old strap.
- ▶ Glue the undrilled end of the rubber strap—overlap it 2 inches—to the remaining surge tank strap with epoxy adhesive. Let the adhesive cure.
- ▶ Bolt the support strap to the rubber strap and you're done.

The rubber strap absorbs the vibrations and doesn't crack under stress.





important as brawn when you have to change a flat tire on a 21/2-ton or larger truck.

A $2\frac{1}{2}$ -ton truck tire weighs almost 200 pounds, and the bigger tires are even heavier. Wrestling with something that big, alone, can leave you flat on your back for weeks.

It takes at least two people to change any tire that's 38 inches tall or taller. So, on any tire that size, use your head and ask a buddy to lend a hand.

CUCV Clevis Update

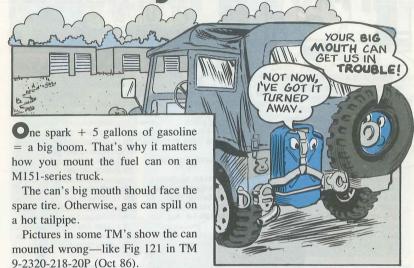
The CUCV's tiedown clevis, NSN 5340-01-160-4677, has been canceled, so you'll get clevis, NSN 4030-00-542-3183, instead. But it won't fit. Instead, use clevis, NSN 4030-00-740-9523, used on M939-series 5-ton trucks.

CUCV Brake Shoe NSN

The NSN's have changed for the brake shoes on all CUCV's since TM 9-2320-289-20P (Jun 85) was fielded. Order NSN 2530-01-183-8860 for the front and NSN 2510-01-140-6144 for the rear shoes on all models except the M1009. The M1009 uses NSN 2530-01-158-1458 on the front and NSN 2530-01-166-3033 on the rear.

M151-Series 1/4-Ton Trucks...

Mouth Right on Fuel Cans



M131-Series Tanker...

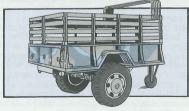
Hose Reel Snafu

Hose reel assemblies made under contract No. DAAE07-08-C-1820 won't fit the M131A4C and M131A5C fuel tankers. Check your stock to see if you have assembly, PN 1-222281-3, made by Torkheim or Aeromotive. It looks like the old assembly, but it's about 2 inches too long to fit in the cabinet. Turn it in and order a new assembly with NSN 4930-00-757-9938.

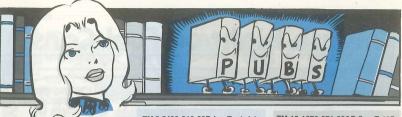
M105-Series . . .

Trailer Lunette NSN

Get the lunette for the 1½-ton trailer with NSN 2540-00-999-5584. The lunette is Item 1 of Fig 24 in TM 9-2330-213-14&P, but the NSN's not listed and the part number is wrong. The right part number is PN MS51339-3.



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This is a selected list of recent pubs of interest to organizational maintenance personnel. This list was made from a computer printout provided by the Adjutant General.

TM 3-4240-312-12&P Jun M+3 mask

TM 5-1080-200-13&P-HR Sep Lightweight camouflage screen systems

TM 5-4610-215-24/2 Jul 600-GPH

TM 5-4930-235-13&P Aug Closed circuit refueling nozzle assembly, model number 125-10000 (NSN 4930-01-167-2067)

TM 5-5430-219-23P Aug Tank, fabric, collapsible, POL 3K, 10K, 20K, 50K, 5K BBL

TM 5-5430-225-12&P Aug Tank, fabric, collapsible, air column supported, open top, water shortage, 3,000 gal, model 90028

TM 5-6115-631-14&P Jun Power plant AN/MJQ-16 (NSN 6115-00-033-1395)

TM 9-1430-604-24P Oct Patriot missile

TM 9-2330-376-14&P Jun Chassis, trailer: 5 ton, 4-wheel, GEMSS, XM979 trailer, flatbed: 5 ton, 4wheel XM1061, XM1061E1

TM 9-2350-255-20-1-4 Aug M1/ IPM1 tank

TM 9-6920-428-24P Sep M76 training set (Redeye missile)

TM 10-1670-271-23&P Sep T-10B personnel parachute

TM 11-1520-236-23-2 Aug Avionic equipment configuration Army model AH-1S helicopters

TM 11-5820-951-20P Oct Electronic equipment installation kit MK-2368/ VRC (NSN 5820-01-218-5267)

TM 11-5820-962-20P Oct Electronic equipment installation kit MK-2195/ VRC (NSN 5820-01-225-0511)

TM 11-5820-971-20P Oct Electronic equipment installation kit MK-2372/ VRC (NSN 5820-01-225-0512) TM 11-5820-972-20P Oct Electronic

equipment installation kit MK-2373/ VRC (NSN 5820-01-225-0513)

TM 11-5820-979-20P Oct Electronic equipment installation kit MK-2403/ VRC (NSN 5820-01-225-0520)

Maintenance & Safety-Of-Use Messages

CECOM SOU-MSG-88-07-01— Advisory, Possible shock from the AN/GRM-114A radio test set power supply module, AMSEL-SF-SEP 261800Z Jul 88.

CECOM SOU-MSG-88-09-01— Advisory, Operational, Deadlines BA-5513/U batteries, AMSEL-SF-REE 121800Z Sep 88.

MICOM SOU-MSG—Advisory, Inspect Patriot launching station antenna for cracks, AMSMI-LC-AM 251430Z Oct 88.

TACOM SOU-MSG-88-28—Advisory, Operational, Install battery terminal boots on M939/M939A1 series vehicles to keep cables from contacting battery box, AMSTA-MTB 031600Z Jul 88.

TACOM SOU-MSG-88-32—Operational, Bradley vehicles using obsolete water barrier tripod, AMCPM-BFVS-SC 161000Z Aug 88.

TACOM SOU-MSG—Follow-up to SOU Msg 86-35, Technical, Disposition of defective Quality Plus (Windham) 15-K forklifts, AMSTA-FHVC 061330Z Oct 88.

TACOM SOU-MSG-88-42—Advisory, Technical/Maintenance, Follow-up to SOU-MSG-88-27, Disposition of M1009 CUCV tires, AMSTA-M 061400Z Oct 88.

TACOM SOU-MSG-88-47—Advisory, Technical/Maintenance, Battery servicing problem on CAT 130G Grader, NSN 3805-01-126-7895, LIN G74783, AMSTA-M 111500Z Oct 88.

TACOM SOU-MSG-88-48—Advisory, Technical/Maintenance, Under-the-hood fires on Ambulance, modular, 4x4, LIN X54765, NSN 2310-01-091-1884, and 4x2, LIN X38464, NSN 2310-01-094-1372, procured under contract number DAAE07-83-C-H272, AMSTA-M 281930Z Oct 88.

AMCCOM Maintenance Advisory 88-14—M8 chemical agent alarm black filter paddle NSN, AMSMC-MAR (A) 271300Z Oct 88.

TROSCOM SOU-MSG—Supplement to SOU-MSG-88-23, Emergency, delayed openings of MT1-XX free fall parachutes which were immersed in water, AMSTR-WD 071300Z Nov 88.

TROSCOM Maintenance Advisory MSG-88-30—Use spin-on oil filter element, NSN 2940-00-586-4792, on the 6-HP Mil Std engines used with the 4.2-KW generator set and the 15 CFM compressor, AMSTR-MES 071700Z Oct 88.

TROSCOM Maintenance Advisory MSG-88-35—Follow-on to SOU-MSG-88-20, Clarification of NSN and possible deficiencies on fire truck, pumper, model CC-1000-4044, AMSTR-MES 181900Z Oct

TROSCOM Maintenance Advisory MSG-88-37—Recalls non-metallic hose, NSN 4720-00-420-4636, manufactured by Aeroquip Inc., CAGE 50556, that is used in pressurized applications AMSTR-MES 191945Z Oct 88.

TROSCOM Maintenance Advisory MSG-88-40—Inspect Mark 1 Mod 0 lightweight diving outfit, NSN 4220-01-064-0608, second stage regulator diaphragms, AMSTR-MES 011500Z Nov 88.

Your Direct Support or Logistic Assistance Office (LAO) can provide you with more information. SF 368...

DEFICIENCY REPORTING

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CATEGORIES.

CATEGORY I

Category I covers defects that cause or ideas that prevent:

- Death, injury or job-related illnesses:
- Loss or major damage to a weapon system;
- Problems affecting a unit's combat readiness.

Send these critical category I reports by message or telephone within 48 hours of finding the defect. Make sure you have all the information before you call. Then send a follow-up message.

CATEGORY II

Category II covers all other equipment and quality deficiencies. For these, send in an SF 368 within five workdays of finding the problem or solution. You may also want to submit your idea or recommendation as a suggestion. AR 672-20 tells you how to send in suggestions that can make you some money.

Get the SF 368's from your forms or pubs people. NSN 7540-00-133-5541 gets a pad of 100 368's.

TOOLS, PARTS OR END ITEMS... REPORT THEM ALL ON SF 368! EVEN A 25¢ ITEM IS WORTH REPORTING - THERE MAY BE MILLIONS OF THEM GOING BAP!

Fill Out An SF 368 To:

- Report conditions dangerous to operators/crews, other equipment or vour mission:
- Ask for disposition instructions to get credit, replacement items or to repair defective items:
- Halt repeat shipments of defective items to get corrective action;
- Pass on ideas to improve equipment;
- Suggest ways to make maintenance on equipment easier or better;
- Report an item that does not work right or last as long as it should because of bad design or materials;
- Report items that do not meet the size, material, hardness, finish, or performance standards of a specification;
- Give notice of low quality workmanship:
- Explain a dangerous situation caused by missing or bad information. (Comments/changes to technical manuals should be reported on DA Forms 2028 or 2028-2);
- Report problems that keep you from using or maintaining your equip-
- Expose repeated problems that take a lot of your time with no solution available:
- Verify problems the equipment's manager asked you to report.



Do Not Fill Out An SF 368 On:

- Items purchased locally:
- Security assistance items sent to foreign governments;
- Packaging, preservation, packing or marking problems covered by AR 735-11-2:
- Medical materiel (see DLAR 4155.28 for help);
- Subsistence items (see AR 30-12 on how to handle those items):
- Shipping goofs, such as overages, shortages, wrong item shipped, expired shelf life items (see AR 735-11-2);
- Transportation errors, such as shortages, losses, or damages during transportation (see AR 55-38);
- Ammunition and explosives malfunctions (see AR 75-1);
- Nuclear weapons (see TB 9-1100-803-15).



1. SEND THE ORIGINAL TO THE PROPER COMMAND AS IDENTIFIED HERE OR IN APPENDIX G OF DA PAM 738-750. 2. KEEP A COPY.

FOLLOW THESE POINTS CAREFULLY.

> 3. SEND A COPY TO YOUR SUPPORT MAINTENANCE OUTFIT.

4. GIVE A COPY TO YOUR UNIT TO FILE - BUT KEEP IT NO LONGER THAN ONE YEAR.

Where to Send SF 368's

The SF 368 goes directly to the screening point—not through channels. Exhibits are parts, components or

You can track down the address two ways: The Materiel Category Structure (MATCAT) code or the Federal Supply Class (FSC).

The MATCAT is a five-position code on the Army Master Data File (AMDF). The first position of the MATCAT code tells you the manager. Your PLL or supply clerk has the AMDF.

The first four numbers of an NSN, which is the FSC, tell you who the major command is that manages your item.

If you still cannot decide where the report should go, check with your Logistic Assistance Office (LAO). If there's any doubt at all, send it to:

Chief **DESCOM Quality Systems and Engineering Center** ATTN: AMSDS-QA-EQ Lexington, KY 40511-5105

items that carry the reported defect or show the problem. Tag your exhibits with a DA Form

2402 and mark on it "SF 368 EXHIBIT" in red. Attach a copy of the message or SF 368 reporting the problem.

Hold on to the exhibits for 45 days or until you get word to dispose of it. Make sure you keep your exhibit separated from good items so it is not accidentally issued for use.

Pack your exhibit to keep it from more damage.

DO NOT TAKE IT APART TO SEE WHAT THE PROBLEM IS. LEAVE THAT TO THE INVESTIGATORS.

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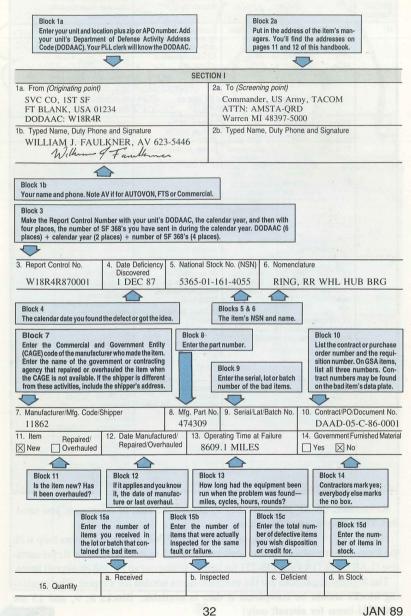
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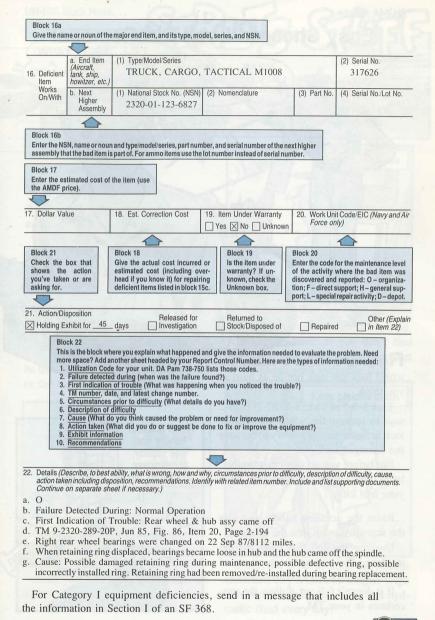
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Remember, the SF 368 is the key to getting the kind of equipment you need. But YOU have to start the action.

Here's a guide that will help you fill out the SF 368. If you need more help with the form—or any of its entries—call your AMC Logistic Assistance Representative (LAR). See DA Pam 738-751 for help in filling out an SF 368 on aircraft items.

The highlighted blocks are the essential items needed for a report. The remaining blocks should be completed if data is available. Blocks 8, 9, and 13 are essential items for aircraft only!

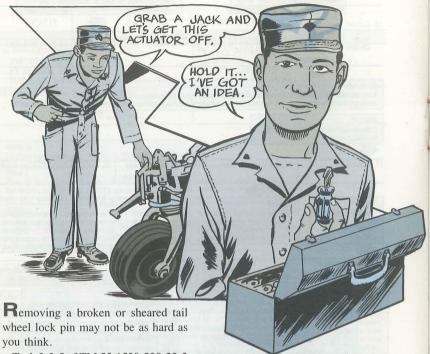




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Easy Sheared Lock Pin Removal



Task 3-3-5 of TM 55-1520-238-23-2 says to remove the wheel's hydraulic lock actuator before you try to remove the damaged lock pin.

But before you go to all that trouble, latch onto a stubby screwdriver from your tool kit.

Raise the actuator handle and slip the screwdriver up into the actuator.

Unscrew the bolt that holds the pin in place. The bolt and both pieces of the sheared lock pin will fall right out.

If it doesn't fall out, follow the procedures in your TM.

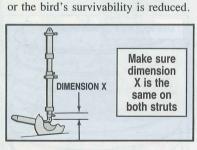


Look for leaks

You may wish you'd given your
Black Hawk's struts more attention the
next time it has a hard landing.
Eyeball the part number of any new
strut before you install it. Most struts
are interchangeable, but PN 7025012051-042 is NOT one of 'em.

Never install an -042 on one side of

If you find evidence of leaking fluid, replace the shock. If you don't find any leaks, wipe down the exposed part of the piston with hydraulic fluid.



your bird and an -043, -044 or -045

Careful, too, when you service a new

strut. Dimension X is critical—it must

be the same on both sides of the aircraft

on the other side.

UH-60A Black Hawk...

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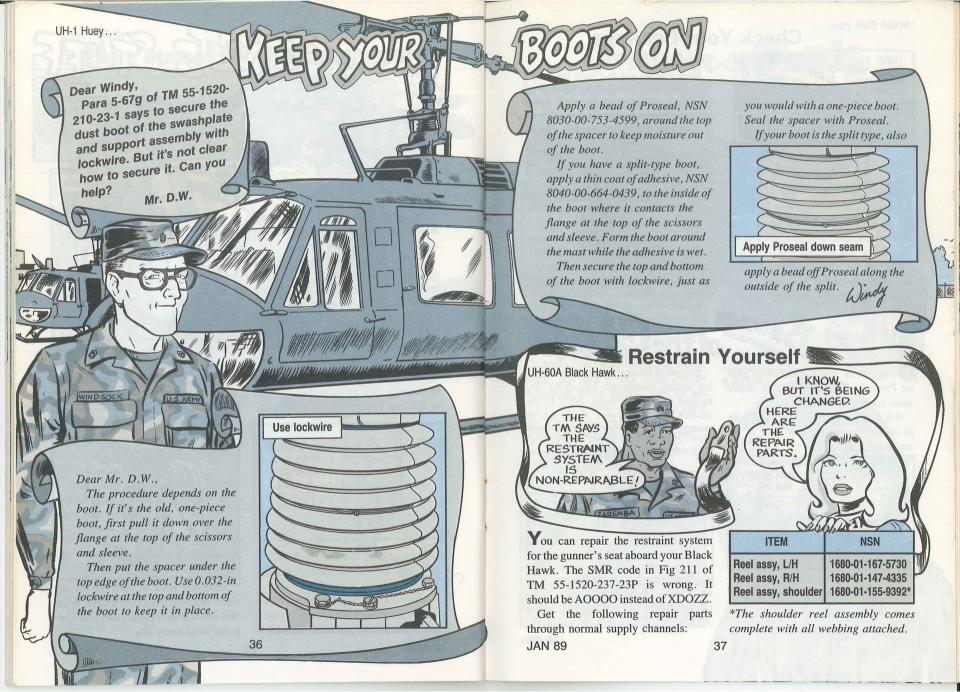
Step 1 of Task 1 in TM 55-1520-237-23-4 tells how to measure Dimension X.

After you replace a shock strut, do a static leak check like it says in Step 1 of Task 31, TM 55-1520-237-23-5.

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Make it a point to keep the pistons clean and they'll last a lot longer. Wipe 'em down with a clean cloth and hydraulic fluid every day.



Check Your Bearings



Until recently, all you had to do for the 30-hour special inspection of your bird's main rotor head damper bearings was check 'em for wear.

But all that changed when a ODR investigation turned up some frozen damper bolts in the outboard rod end

bearing and spindle bracket.

Now you've got to check the bearings for pitting and gouges, as well as for radial and axial play.



That's the word in Para 2-84 of TB 43-0001-3-14 (Feb 88).

The inspection requirement is part of Task 9, Step 15, in TM 55-1520-237-23-4. Inspection procedures are spelled out in Task 12, Step 6, of TM 55-1520-237-23-7.

UH-60A Black Hawk...BEWARE

Jome Black Hawk mechanics glob on Proseal adhesive when they install main rotor spindle bolts.

But globbed-on Proseal is a real pain to remove next time you have to remove the spindle.



Plus, when it's globbed on, it may not completely cover the boltheads and nuts. Those not covered will corrode easily.

Instead of Proseal, use synthetic rubber sealing compound, MIL-S-81733, to coat the spindle bolts. NSN 8030-00-008-7196 gets a pint. Apply it with



an acid swabbing brush, NSN 7920-00-514-2417. The brush is part of the AVUM No. 2 tool set.

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CH-47...

Finesse over Musica

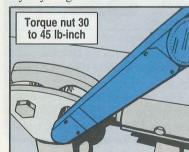
Use a light touch, mechs, when you install forward or aft servocylinder connecting links on your big bird or you'll create flight control problems.



only 30 to 45 lb-in on your torque wrench.

It doesn't take much force for so little torque and that's why some mechs overtorque those babies. You've got to feel the wrench click if you can't hear it when you reach the limit.

If you overtorque the nuts, you strip the bolt threads or bend the bellcranks. Bye-bye flight control.



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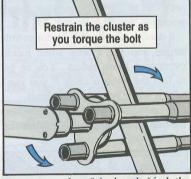
5 ome Cobra crews can't hit the target with their 20-MM cannon because the barrels are distorted.

You mechanics can cause distortion if you don't restrain the barrel cluster when you torque the bolt that holds the muzzle clamp in place.



Use a bar or a wooden pole or block to hold the barrel cluster when you torque the bolt.

hind the clamp plate—not a foot or



even a couple of inches behind the clamp plate. If it's too far back, you'll get barrel distortion when you torque the bolts.

Use the torque wrench to turn the bolt very slowly. If the bolt turns with less than 7-8 lb-ft of pressure, replace the bolt and the self-locking nut.

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Torque the bolt to 63-79 lb-ft.

AH-1 Series...

Match,

Don't Mix

t pays to be cautious when you connect wire cables to your Cobra's M65 line replaceable units (LRU's).

If you don't take the time to read the label on each wire bundle and match it to the correct LRU connector, you could ruin the LRU or other electronic equipment.



ID labels should be attached to each wire bundle. If labels are missing from any of your LRU cables, get AVIM to re-label 'em so there won't be any costly mixups next time you install an LRU.



Aviation Messages

If your unit has not received a message you have an interest in, check with your next higher headquarters.

CH-47-88-15, SOF, Maintenance Mandatory, Procedure for fuel sampling when using the extended range fuel system (ERFS), 212000Z Sep 88.

AH-1-88-09, SOF, Technical, Onetime inspection of specific serial numbered scissors and sleeve assemblies, 192000Z Sep 88. **OV-1-88-MIM-01**, Defective bolt P/N K22319-1, 072230Z Sep 88.

GEN-88-02, SOF, Technical, Onetime inspection for installation of correct internal portable fire extinguisher, 211830Z Sep 88.

OV-1-88-04, SOF, Technical, Daily inspection of the spot weld assembly (FS204 aft bulkhead), 072200Z Sep 88.

AH-64-88-13, SOF, Maintenance Mandatory, Tail rotor swashplate bearing/slider inspection, 212100Z Sep 88. CAT 1 EIR Phone: AUTOVON 693-2066 (24 HOURS)

AH-1-88-10, SOF, Technical, Revision to one-time inspection of specific serial numbered scissors and sleeve assemblies, 211500Z Sep 88.

AH-64-88-14, SOF, Maintenance Mandatory, Inspection of main rotor housing nuts, 282100Z Sep 88.

AH-64-88-MIM-13, Amendment to a MIM concerning chop collar safety wire, 262100Z Sep 88.

UH-60-88-MIM-09, Inspection of tail rotor drive shaft spline wear indicator, 272100Z Sep 88.

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AN/GRC-106 Radio Set...

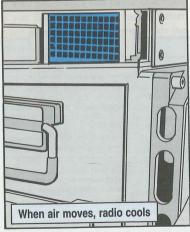


Reep it clean, keep it dry and keep it cool!

These PM tips will go a long way to keep your Angry-106 radio sending and receiving the commo signal.

Dust and dirt cover your set like a blanket, causing it to overheat. Brush or wipe your set off.

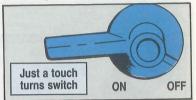
Never put clothing and other personal gear on your radio. Those items block the airflow. This leads to heat buildup, too, since the heat exchanger assembly cannot pass cool air to keep temperatures down.



Ice will also restrict air movement. So, keep it out of the intake or exhaust vents.

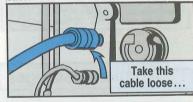
Easy Handling

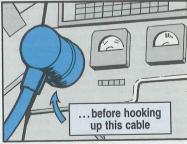
Back off the muscle when you're turning the AM-3349 radio frequency amplifier's primary power ON-OFF switch. Forcing the switch will break it. A finger touch is all that it takes.



Antenna Tie-in

Be sure the antenna is hooked up to the radio before you put power to your radio.





You might think you have a good hookup since the whip antenna is installed and the cable is connected. But look again.

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If the UG-201A adapter connector is on the 50-ohm line, you have no whip antenna. The antenna switch is held open by the adapter connector.

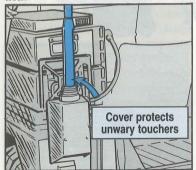
Without an antenna hookup, you will burn out the radio's power amplifier tube.

Protective Cover Warning

Protective cover or not, stay clear of the AB-652 mast base and antenna, like it says inside the front cover of TM 11-5820-520-10.

Never touch the antenna when the radio set is on since there is a walloping 10,000 RF volts in the antenna.

Keep the cover, NSN 5985-00-078-4769, on the antenna for added protection.

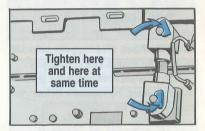


Snug the cover onto the antenna with a clamp, NSN 5820-00-571-1828. This clamp will keep the cover from splitting when the antenna starts whipping about.

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Tighten Together

Tighten both ends of the CX-10099/U electrical special purpose cable assembly at the same time. When you tighten one end at a time the flexible metal shield is put in a bind. It could snap.



More PM Tips

Here are more PM pointers to keep your radio sending and receiving:

- Keep the antenna lead and contact clean. Look at them each time you hook up to the antenna.
- Keep dust and dirt out of connectors to insure good electrical contact.
- Avoid kinks in the RF cable and eye the cable for cracks and breaks. Get a damaged cable repaired or replaced.
- Keep fuses in the spare fuse well. Make sure they have the right value: 2-amp, 250-volt.
- Keep the bowl on the mast base clean and dry. Moisture or dirt buildup will cut down or knock out the commo signal.

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KEEP COOLHEAD FOR HOT RADIO

f you're short on patience with a hot radio, circuits in your AM-3349 radio frequency amplifier will do a slow burn.

An overheated radio automatically flips the ON-OFF PRIM PWR switch



to OFF. When that happens, it's OK to turn the switch ON right away.

But, if it cuts off again, be patient. Wait at least 10 minutes before you turn your set on again.

Vehicle Radio ...



When you start your vehicle with the radio on, the voltage surge you get when the engine starts will zap your radio. So, make sure the radio's OFF before you start your engine.

To help remind you to turn off the radio, add a caution label, NSN 7690-00-942-7067, next to the vehicle starting switch. The label says: CAUTION -TURN OFF ALL COMMUNICA-EQUIPMENT BEFORE TIONS STARTING OR STOPPING ENGINE. SB11-624 is the authority for ordering the label.

While you're waiting, make sure the air vents are clear. This helps to cool vour commo gear.



Then turn the power switch ON. You can operate for two hours or as long as your set doesn't overheat.

Be sure to check the meter dials for needle deflection to assure transmission.







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AN/PRC-68 Radio Set.

JUST USE A LITTLE

When you're pushing the PUSH-TO-TALK switch keep your fingers off



It just takes some tender loving care PM to keep it communicating.

Sough handling of your handy port-

able, pocket radio will make it stop

talking to you or for you.

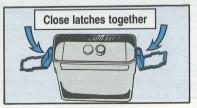
Like, always hold your radio by its body. Never carry it by the whip antenna or you'll pull the wiring loose.

While you have the antenna in mind, never bend the AS-3575 antenna backward. You'll break it. Always fold the antenna toward the concave side.

If you let the handset dangle when it's idle, it'll tug by its own weight or snag on brush. This'll tear the cord loose from the auxiliary control. Put the handset in your pocket or hang it by the clip to your clothing.

Never put a battery in your set with the ON-OFF switch in the ON position. If the radio's left on while you change the battery, a current surge will cause arcing. This will burn out circuits.

After you've replaced the battery, be sure the case latches are closed at the same time. Closing them one at a time will put the case in a bind. This will break a latch or crack the case.



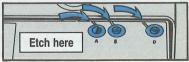
the microphone screen on the other side of your radio. Too much touching will damage the screen, letting dust and dirt

Eyeball the spring clips holding the shorting plug and the alignment tool.



If they're not fastened in place, they'll fall on top of the battery connectors. Then, when the case is closed the battery shorts out, which leads to a battery blast.

Make a more lasting mark while the paint is still on the indicator marks for the frequency code, antenna coupler and transmitter module switches. Put the switches in the "O" position. Then, make an etch on each position with a sharp tool. This'll leave you guides after the paint is worn off.



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WD-1 Wire PM...

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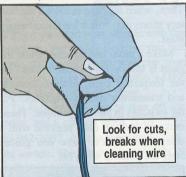


Afterwards, depending on its condition, you reuse it for a mission or for training purposes, or you dump it.

If the wire is on a spool or reel, only the spool or reel is recoverable.

You can get rid of your WD-1 by the bundle, bag or roll. Instead of measuring the wire, weigh it. Each mile is 48 pounds.

It's disposed of through your local Defense Reutilization and Management Office.

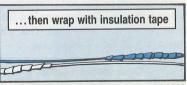


After WD-1 is used, service it. If the wire has insulation skinned off for 3 inches or less, but the wire is not broken, cover the exposed wire with electrical tape, NSN 5970-00-240-0620.



If the insulation or wire damage is more than 3 inches, cut out the damaged wire and splice it.

If the wire is broken, splice it. Then



wrap it with insulation tape, NSN 5970-00-644-3167.

The number of splices and the resistance of the wire tell you the condition of the wire.

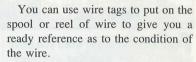
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Less than four splices in ½ mile of wire is OK for mission use as long as the electrical resistance checks out. WD-1 should show no more than 200-230 ohms per mile at 70°F.

Four or more splices means the wire can be used for training only, or that it's ready for disposal.

Use local SOP as your guide for dumping un-serviceable wire.

ID wire with tags

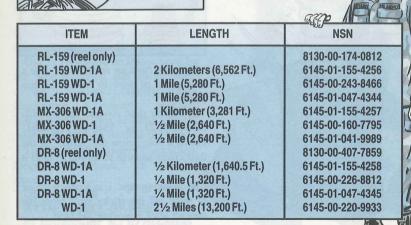


NSN's for the tags with tie-on wires are:

TAGS	NSN 9905-00-537-
Red	8954
Yellow	8955
Green	8956
White	8957

Use FM 24-20 (Dec 85), Field Wire and Field Cable Techniques. It's loaded with tips on how to lay, recover and splice field wire.





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There's trouble ahead when you leave your MX-6707 matching unit uncovered after removing the AS-1730 antenna element. Moisture gets into the element. Contacts corrode and commo shorts out.

IWON'T CORRODE

NOW THAT

I'VE GOT

When you remove the AS-1729 or -1730 antenna, always cap the matching unit. Use antenna base cover, NSN 5985-01-135-2307. If you don't have a cover, try one of these make-do substitutes to protect your equipment until you get a cap:

A protective cup from an M203 grenade. Fasten the cup to the matching unit with a piece of rope, such as an extra piece of antenna tiedown.



- A top from an aerosol can. Use a thin piece of wire to fasten the top down.
- Plastic dust covers, NSN 5340-00-342-5577 or 5340-00-213-8881. Punch a hole below the "ledge" of the dust cover and use strapping to hold it
- Masking tape. Use a pencil eraser to wipe off the sticky stuff from the contact after removing the tape.

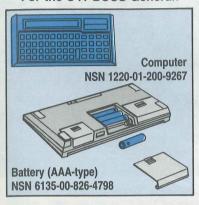
BUCS...

Passing 'em? Know 'em

keep your backup computer system's (BUCS) components together so you know they're ready to go.

Here's what you need-

For the U41 BUCS General:



For the U42 BUCS Special:



Both of the BUCS use the same carrying case, NSN 7010-01-199-8664.

These and other items which complete the BUCS are listed in TM 9-7000-200-13&P (Jun 85).

LITHIUM BATTERY PUBS

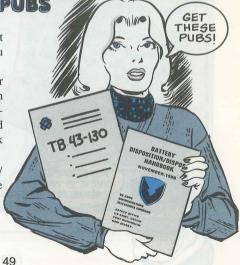
There are a couple of pubs about lithium-sulfur dioxide batteries you can get for the asking.

One is TB 43-130 on Instructions for the Safe Handling and Identification of the US Army Communications-Electronics Command Managed Lithium-Sulfur Dioxide Batteries. Ask your pubs clerk to order it for you.

The other pub, "Battery Disposition/ Disposal Handbook," is available from:

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Road March or Not?



Dear Half-Mast,
The TM for the MW-24C scoop loader says we can drive it between job sites.
But we drove one about 20 miles on the highway and wore out the back tires.
What's the word? How far can we drive 'em'?
CW3 J. P. H.

REMEMBER, OVER 5 MILES... HAUL IT! Dear CW3 J. P. H.,

If the distance between job sites is 5 miles or more, load it on a trailer and haul it.

The large tires on scoop loaders and other wheeled construction equipment flex, and when driven on a hard surface the tires tend to cup. Underinflation makes cupping worse. If you do have to drive the loader on a road, be sure the tire pressure is correct before you start.

Half-Mast

Warehouse Forklifts...

MATCH TIRES for a SMOOTH RIDE



When you're changing pneumatic drive tires on your Allis-Chalmers ACP-40-PS warehouse forklift, check the size of the tire before you put the tire on the tractor.

The circumference can vary between tires from different manufacturers, and even from the same manufacturer.

Mismatched tires can cause rapid, uneven wear, or perhaps damage to the differential.

After you have mounted the tire on the wheel and inflated it to the right pressure, use a tape measure to measure the circumference. Then measure the tire on the forklift. The tires are matched and safe to use if there's ³/₄-in or less difference.





For more details on matching tires, see Para 2-6 of TM 9-2610-200-24.



CALIBRATE TORQUE WRENCHES



Let's say your TM tells you to torque a nut to 45 lb-ft, but the bolt snaps at 40 lb-ft.

Was the bolt bad? Or was the calibration on your torque wrench off?

Could be either, but you need to have your wrench checked. The torque value shown on the wrench can be off as much as 50 percent. That means when your torque wrench reads 40 lb-ft, you are applying up to 60.

Torque wrenches do not come calibrated. The first stop for a new wrench

IF YOU DROP YOUR TORQUE WRENCH, YOU MUST HAVE IT CALIBRATED AGAIN.

TB
43-180
HAS THE INFO.

is your TMDE shop for calibration. They will calibrate the wrench and put on a calibration sticker, DA Label 80. The sticker tells when the wrench was calibrated and when that calibration expires.

88-232	2 CALBR W80/23
CALBR VOID 88 352 4 NAME-REPORT NO H SEL SMITH	
346	6 OWNER WD9AAA
DA Label 8	REPLACES EDITION 1 JAN 70 WHICH IS OBSOLETE

Never use a torque wrench that doesn't have a calibration sticker. Send it for calibration pronto! Same goes if the expiration date is passed.

A torque wrench is a sensitive instrument. Many things can throw off the calibration, like dropping it, using it for a hammer, letting it bounce around in a tool box, or treating it like a regular wrench. One good jolt and it's gotta go back to TMDE for calibration.

MT-250 Boom Indicator Cable Change

Use CAGE 41625, PN 304241-5-102 to get the cable used on the MT-250 crane's boom angle indicator. The NSN listed for the cable, Item 11 in Fig 97, has been dropped and the part number listed is wrong. Order the cable on a DD Form 1348-6 from RIC S9C.



Generator Door Latch NSN



TM 5-6115-464-24P for the 15-KW generator and 5-6115-465-24P for the 30-KW generator do not list a door latch. You can get the latch for both with NSN 5340-00-229-3643.

5-KW Generator Cover NSN

The cover listed in TM 5-6115-365-15 for your PU-620/M generator on the M116A1 ³/₄-ton trailer won't fit. Get a cover that will fit with NSN 2540-00-926-0993.



Common Shop Sets...

Torque Wrench Added

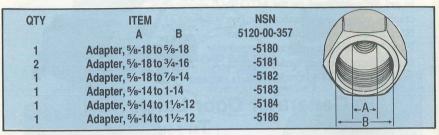
When you need to tighten a bolt in the range of 15 to 35 lb-ft, the 175 lb-ft torque wrench in the No. 1 and No. 2 Common shop sets won't hack it. It's just not accurate enough in the bottom 20 percent of full scale.

Instead, get a %-in square drive 15 to 75 lb-ft torque wrench, NSN 5120-00-554-7292. It gives you accurate torque readings between 15 and 60 lb-ft.

It's going to be showing up in the No. 1 and No. 2 Common, but in the meantime, use Appendix A of CTA 50-970 as your authority to order it.



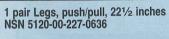




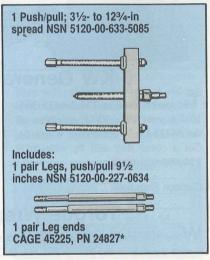


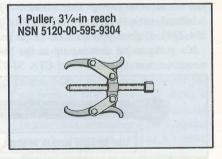
1 pair Legs, push/pull, 4½ inches NSN 5120-00-227-0633

1 pair Legs, push/pull, 16½ inches NSN 5120-00-227-0635



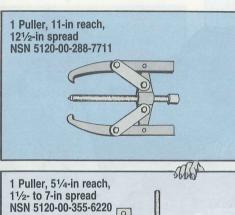






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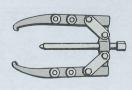




1 Puller, 1- to 9-in spread NSN 5120-00-711-6753



1 Puller, 8³/₄-in reach 0-to 10-in spread NSN 5120-00-030-7942



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HERE ARE
THE PARTS FOR THE
UNIVERSAL PULLER KIT,
NSN 5180-00-423-1596,
USED TO PULL
BEARINGS AND
GEARS.





missing set item. The 3/4-in drive impact wrench, NSN 5120-00-961-9813, is part of the No. 2 Common shop set.

breaking loose the bolts, though, is

finding the NSN or part number to a

The No. 2 Supplemental shop set has hand impact wrench set, NSN 5120-00-961-9815, which includes the 3/4-in set and a 1-in drive wrench set.

When you inventory the sets, you can't go with the printed packing list on the lid of the wrench sets. That's because some of the replacement items do not always come from the manufacturer of the complete set. And some NSN's have been assigned since the inventory list was printed.

You'll find only a partial listing of the components of these wrench sets in SC 4910-95-CL-A72 covering the No. 2 Common and in SC 4940-95-CL-A08 covering the No. 2 Supplemental.

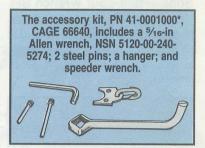
Here's what makes up the 3/4-in drive wrench set, NSN 5120-00-961-9813:

NSN	ITEM
5120-00-440-8047	Wrench: 800 lb-ft
5130-00-449-6656	Extension: 7 inch
5130-00-723-2896	Extension: 10 inch
5130-00-449-6657	Extension: 13 inch
5120-01-152-8281	Special extension: for turret studs
	0
5120-01-151-1823	Offset link:
	11/4-in long
5120-01-151-1824	Offset link:
	3 ³ / ₄ -in long
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Wrench Sets

NSN	ITEM
	Socket: Impact
	Size (Inches)
5130-00-227-6701	3/4
5130-00-227-6676	13/16
5130-00-227-6677	7/8
5130-00-293-1411	15/16
5130-00-227-6679	1
5130-00-293-1412	11/16
5130-00-227-6681	11/8
5130-00-293-1413	13/16
5130-00-227-6683	11/4
5130-00-227-6684	15/16
5130-00-227-6685	13/8
5130-00-227-6686	17/16
5130-00-236-3979	11/2

NSN	ITEM
5120-01-154-5137	Wrench: Box end,
5120-01-151-1805	Wrench: Box end,
5120-01-154-5138	Wrench: Box end, 17/16-in hex
5140-01-154-3030	Box: Tool kit



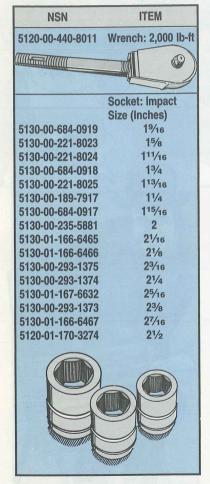
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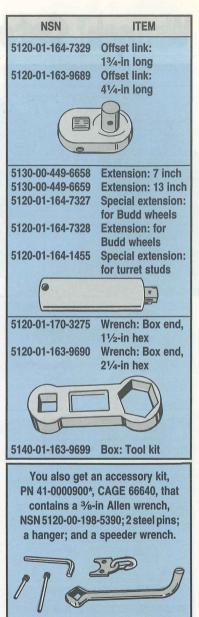
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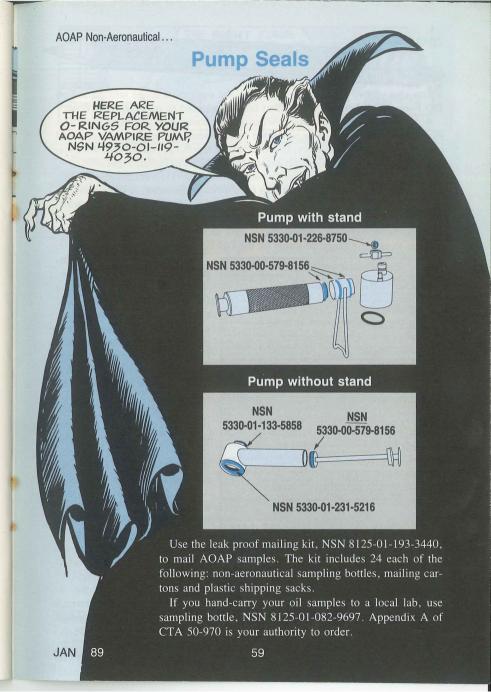
Supplement Your Wrench Set

Hand impact wrench set, NSN 5120-00-961-9815, in the No. 2 Supplemental shop set, gets you the complete ³/₄-in drive wrench set... and this 1-in drive set:



*Order on a DD Form 1348-6 from RIC B14.





PS END

Now that you've got the hang of putting the equipment usage information on DD Form 2026, here are some other things you need to make sure get done:

• Verify the odometer reading. When a new odometer was installed under DA Form 2408-9 reporting, you added the current odometer reading with the total usage from the previous meter. In AOAP usage reporting, you put only the number showing on the new odometer in the Remarks block of the DD Form 2026.

• Indicate whether the odometer reading shows miles (MI) or kilometers (KM). There's no need to convert the readings from miles to kilometers or vice versa.

If the end item you're reporting has no odometer but does have an hourmeter, show the total number of hours (HR) from the hourmeter.

Some items have both an odometer and an hourmeter. Use the odometer reading to report equipment usage on the DD Form 2026.

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• Be sure to give the complete end item serial number. Some folks are putting the last four or five digits of the serial number, the bumper number and even the registration number in place of the serial number. Equipment usage information taken from the DD Form 2026 is tracked by the end item serial number.

Since the DD Form 2026 is now the only means of reporting usage for combat and selected tactical vehicles, it's important that you get the serial number and odometer reading right.

The data gathered through usage reporting is used to determine unit requirements for POL products, repair parts and budget needs. This is why it's so important that you give accurate information on usage reporting.

Remember, if you're not reporting equipment usage through AOAP, you still report annual usage data on DA Form 2408-9.

Jack for 21/2-Ton Trucks

There's a goof on Page B-8 of TM 9-2320-209-10-1 (Sep 1980). It shows a 3-ton hydraulic jack for the 2½-ton truck. That's wrong! You need the 8-ton jack, NSN 5120-00-595-8396, that's in the BIIL (Basic Issue Items Lists) for the 5-ton trucks.

M353 Trailer Bearing NSN

Get the roller bearing for the 3½-ton trailer's landing gear with NSN 3110-00-040-9768. The correct PN is MS19081-6 CAGE 96906 for Item 24 of Fig 22 in TM 9-2330-247-14&P.

M101A1 Monthly Lubes Are Crew's

Contrary to what TM 9-1015-203-12 tells you on Pages 3-14 through 3-19, the monthly lubes for the M101A1 towed howitzer are performed by the crew, not organizational maintenance. The lubes have always been crew-level, and the TM error will be corrected later.

FAAR NSN Wrong

The part number and NSN listed for the FAAR drill—Item 40, Fig 1, TM 9-1430-588-24P (Jun 86)—are wrong. The correct part number is 10291841, NSN 5130-01-030-2171.

Wrong Screw NSN Printed

DO NOT use NSN 5305-00-821-3869 as the screw for the blow-off panels on the M1A1 tank. Use only Grade 5 screws, NSN 5305-00-269-3215. The -3869 screw shown in PS 432, Page 13 is Grade 8 and is too strong.

M203 TM Correction

There's a mistake on Page 4-2 in TM 9-1010-221-10 for the M203 grenade launcher. The Note should read: "The M781 Practice Round has an inert projectile; however, it does contain a propelling charge. No dummy ammunition is supplied for this weapon."

M249 Spring Change

The length requirement for the M249 machine gun drive spring is being deleted from TM 9-1005-201-23&P. Change Step 1 on Page 2-22 to read: "Replace the driving spring if more than one broken strand is found on the same coil, or if more than two strands are broken, regardless of location on the entire spring."

21/2-Ton Tie Rod NSN

The NSN is wrong for the steering tie rod that's listed as Item 2 of Fig 137 in TM 9-2320-209-20P. Get the tie rod with NSN 2530-00-752-1599.

Distribution: To be distributed in accordance with DA Form 12-34-C-R, for TB-43-series.

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