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WHEN YOUR UNIT IS PREPARING FOR A BIG TRAINING EXERCISE, LIKE A ROTATION AT THE NATIONAL TRAINING CENTER (NTC), OR DEPLOYING OVERSEAS, DETAILS MATTER.



ONE DETAIL THAT MATTERS A LOT IS MAKING SURE VEHICLES HAVE ALL THE REQUIRED COMPONENTS OF END ITEMS (COEI) AND BASIC ISSUE ITEMS (BII).

IF VEHICLES LACK THESE ITEMS, CREWS WON'T BE ABLE TO DO PROPER PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE PURING THEIR ROTATION.

VEHICLES THAT DON'T GET PM BREAK DOWN.
THAT MEANS FIELD
TRAINING IS INTERRUPTED,
NTC ROTATIONS ARE
HINDERED, OR MISSIONS
DON'T HAVE NEEDED
EQUIPMENT.

INVENTORY **EACH** VEHICLE'S COEI AND BII DURING SEMI-ANNUAL AND ANNUAL SERVICES.

REPLACE MISSING ITEMS RIGHT AWAY.

## REMEMBER,

-10 TMS ARE PART OF EACH VEHICLE'S BII AND ARE JUST AS IMPORTANT AS ANY TOOL.



PAYING ATTENTION
TO DETAILS WILL KEEP
YOUR VEHICLES RUNNING
AND UNIT READINESS HIGH!

WE HAVE THE WORLD'S BEST EQUIPMENT... Take care of it!

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## **ES** COMBAT VEHICLES

- Don't Blind Your CROWS! Use Caps
- CROWS Cautions
- Protect Engine with Right Oil!
- Deflect Heat Damage When Towing!
- Torque Down Prop Shaft Problems
   Put Brakes to Parking Accidents!





Dear Editor,

I was traveling at

Ft Drum recently when I passed a vehicle with a CROWS mounted on it. I noticed that even though the CROWS was in travel lock, the protective caps for the lenses were dangling instead of installed like they should be. Just one piece of gravel kicked up could easily damage a lens. That could cost a unit thousands in repair costs.

Please remind units to keep the CROWS lens caps installed except when actually preparing to fire.

Donald Sherman Ft Drum, NY Editor's note: Absolutely, Donald. And if lens caps have disappeared, as they will, order more with these NSNs.

- VIM lens cap, NSN 6760-25-150-9879
- TIM lens cap,
   NSN 5855-01-584-6138
- LRF lens cap,
   NSN 6650-25-160-3989

In the meantime, keep the lenses covered during travel.

M1A2 SEP Tank...

# **CROWS Cautions**

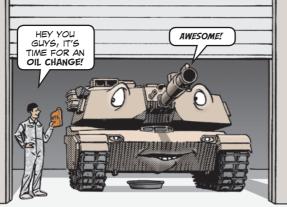
If you're leaving your M1A2 SEP tank through the commander's hatch, remember this CROWS II caution:

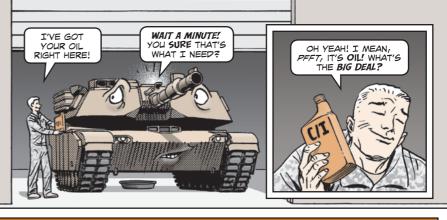
#### Watch where you step!

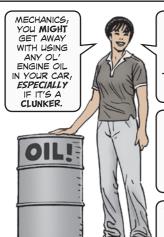
If you accidentally step on the CROWS operator controls, the controls can be damaged and your CROWS is out of business.

M1-Series Tanks...

# PROTECT ENGINE WITH RIGHT OIL!







BUT WHEN IT COMES TO AN MI-SERIES TANK, THE TYPE OF OIL YOU USE CAN MEAN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A TANK THAT RUNS LIKE A SWISS WATCH OR ONE THAT'S IN THE SHOP GETTING ITS VERY EXPENSIVE AGT 1500 ENGINE REPLACED!

THE TMS AND LOS ARE SPECIFIC ABOUT WHAT TO USE: MIL-PRF-23699. BUT KEEP IN MIND THERE ARE THREE DIFFERENT CLASSES OF OIL UNDER THIS SPECIFICATION, EACH WITH ITS OWN SET OF NSNS.

THE CLASS OF OIL YOU USE CAN EITHER HELP OR HURT THE ENGINE, DEPENDING ON THE SITUATION.

#### HIGH THERMAL STABILITY (HTS) CLASS.

THIS CLASS IS FOR

NORMAL ENGINE
USE. HTS CLASS
TURBINE OIL
CONTAINS SPECIAL
ANTI-COKING
ADDITIVES THAT
HELP PREVENT
BEARING AND
SEAL PAMAGE.
THAT MEANS MORE
OPERATING HOURS
BETWEEN MAJOR
REPAIRS AND
BIG-TIME COST
SAVINGS.

#### The Three Classes

#### STANDARD (STD) CLASS.

THIS CLASS
SHOULD BE
USED ONLY AS
AN EMERGENCY
SUBSTITUTE
IF HTS OIL IS
UNAVAILABLE.

### CORROSION INHIBITING (C/I) CLASS.

THIS CLASS IS SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR LONG-TERM STORAGE ONLY. C/T CLASS OIL CONTAINS ADDITIVES THAT MAKE IT FOAM-, WEAR- AND CORROSION-RESISTANT. USE IT IN TANKS THAT WILL BE STORED OUTDOORS FOR LONGER THAN 6 MONTHS OR INDOORS FOR LONGER THAN 12 MONTHS.

WHILE IN STORAGE, YOU MAY NEED TO EXERCISE, MOVE OR PERFORM MAINTENANCE ON THE TANK. C/I OIL IS OK AS LONG AS USAGE DOESN'T EXCEED 50 HOURS AND THE TANK IS GOING RIGHT BACK INTO STORAGE.

WHEN THE TANK IS COMING **OUT** OF STORAGE AND BACK INTO REGILLAR OPERATION, DRAIN THE **C/I** OIL AND REPLACE IT WITH HTS ENGINE OIL.

#### What to Order

What to oraci			
Class	Size	NSN 9150-	
HTS	8-oz	01-439-0764	
HTS	1-qt	01-439-0756	
HTS	55-gal	01-439-2070	
STD	8-oz	01-476-1075	
STD	1-qt	01-476-1074	H
STD	55-gal	01-476-1083	Z
C/I	8-oz	00-180-6266	
C/I	1-qt	00-985-7099	
C/I	55-gal	00-681-5999	

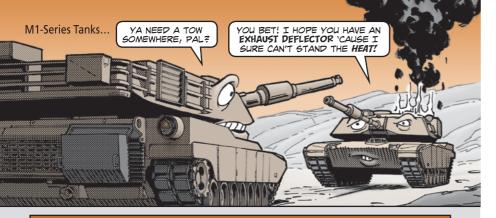
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POL PRODUCTS
GUIPE LISTS C/I
CLASS OIL FIRST ON
PAGE 7. DON'T BE
MISLED, THOUGH!

HTS IS THE #1 CHOICE FOR NORMAL OPERATIONS.

IF YOU'D LIKE A COPY OF THE GUIDE, EMAIL *PS* AT: usarmu.redstone.logsa.mbx.bsmag@mail.mi







## DEFLECT HEAT DAMAGE WHEN TOWING!

Dear Half-Mast,

Could you remind crewmen that when one M1-series tank is towing another, the tank that's doing the towing has to use an engine exhaust deflector? If the deflector isn't used, the disabled tank can be damaged from the high heat of the towing tank's exhaust.

SGT A.N.E. Ft Irwin, CA YOU BET, SERGEANT! LINLESS
YOU WANT TO RISK A FIRE AND
OTHER PAMAGE, YOU GOTTA
LISE AN ENGINE EXHAUST
PEFLECTOR WHEN TOWING ONE
TANK WITH A SECOND ONE.

Protect towed vehicle from
heat with exhaust deflector

THE PEFLECTOR PIRECTS
THE HOT EXHAUST FROM
THE TOWING TANK UPWARD
AND AWAY FROM THE
PISABLEP TANK.

WITHOUT IT, THE EXHAUST CAN **DAMAGE** THE DISABLED TANK'S VISION BLOCKS, HATCH COVERS, PRECLEANER AND EVEN THE VILCANIZED RUBBER ON THE SCAVENGER SHAFT, THAT MEANS THE DISABLED TANK WILL BE IN FOR **MORE** REPAIRS.

IF YOU **DON'T** HAVE READILY AVAILABLE DEFLECTORS, YOUR FIELD-LEVEL MAINTAINERS WILL HAVE TO **MAKE**ONE SINCE THEY **AREN'T** IN THE SUPPLY SYSTEM.

THE PLANS ARE IN TM 9-2350-264-23-1-8 (JUL 11, W/ CH 2, MAY 13) AND TM 9-2350-388-13&P IN IETM EM 0334 (JUL 15).

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE TMS FOR PROPER TOWING PROCEDURES.

IF YOU HAVE
TROUBLE MOUNTING
THE DEFLECTOR TO
THE EXHAUST GRATE,
YOU MAY NEED TO
GRIND DOWN THE
DEFLECTOR'S LOWER
HOOK A BIT TO
HELP IT FIT.

TORQUE DOWN
PROP SHAFT
PROBLEMS

YOUR PROP
SHAFT BOLTS
ARE GOOD
AND TIGHT!

THANKS,
PAL! SEE YA
AGAIN IN SIX
MONTHS!

Dear Half-Mast.

One thing we see a lot of during unit rotations at the National Training Center are loose or missing propeller shaft and U-joint bolts on M113 carriers. If the shaft comes loose, it can damage the vehicle. The shaft can even injure or kill the driver if it comes through the floorboard.

Can you remind your readers to check for loose and missing bolts?

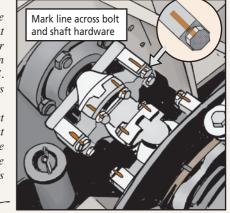
SFC M.D.K.

Dear Sergeant,

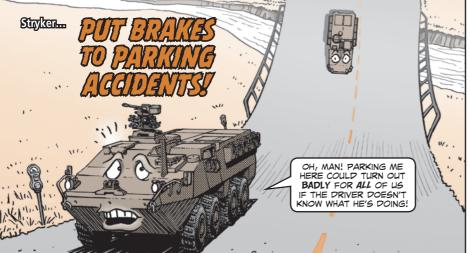
Sure thing. Missing bolts are easy to spot. Loose ones can be a bit trickier. Mechanics, when you pull semiannual PMCS, torque all the bolts. Torque 6C joint bolts to 35-45 lb-ft and 7C joint bolts to 83-100 lb-ft, just like it says in TM 9-2350-277-13&P in IETM EM 0321 (Oct 14) and TM 9-2350-366-13&P in IETM EM 0320 (Jan 13).

Then make alignment marks on the bolt heads and prop shaft or U-joint yoke. Mark them with a scribe or awl. That makes it easy for crewmen to double-check them during PMCS. The bolt has loosened if the marks don't line up.

After torquing the bolts the first time, drive the vehicle forward about 100 feet and then back. Re-check the torque and tighten if necessary. The initial stress of operation sometimes loosens the bolts.



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Dear Editor,

Every Stryker driver knows to use the parking brake when parking their vehicle. But not every driver knows the **right** way to do it.

Just like the -10 TM says, the parking brake alone only works when the Stryker is parked on a slope of 30 degrees or less.

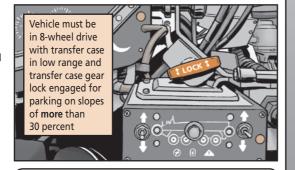
If you're parking on a slope **steeper** than 30 degrees, the vehicle must also be in 8-wheel drive with the transfer case in low range and the transfer case gear lock engaged. If you don't follow the right procedure, you could find yourself chasing after a runaway vehicle!

Explaining a smashed up Stryker to your commander is bad enough. Someone getting hurt because you didn't follow the TM is a lot worse.

SPC William Taylor 3rd BCT Ft Carson, CO

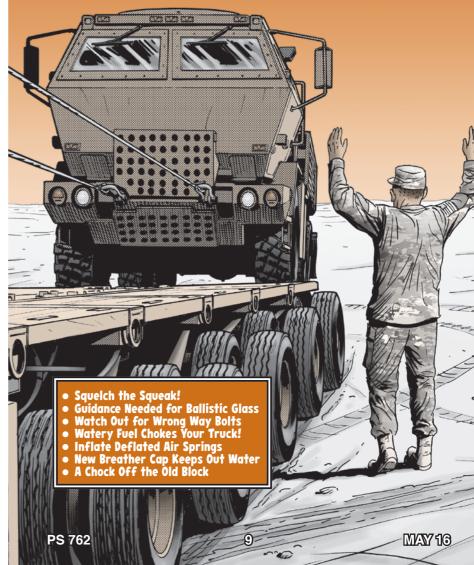


Parking brake only effective on slopes of 30 percent or less

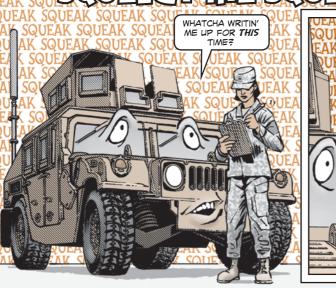


**Editor's note:** That's great information that'll help Stryker drivers put the brakes on accidents.

## PS TACTICAL VEHICLES







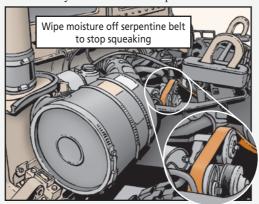


There's nothing more irritating than a constant, loud squeak coming from the engine compartment of your HMMWV. Most drivers figure it's a bad serpentine belt pulley and write it up for their mechanic to fix.

But the problem could be a lot simpler, especially if the squeak is something that comes and goes. The squeak could be caused by moisture on the serpentine belt.

That doesn't necessarily mean you've got an engine leak, either. The moisture could be coming from rainfall, humidity, the wash rack or even early morning dew.

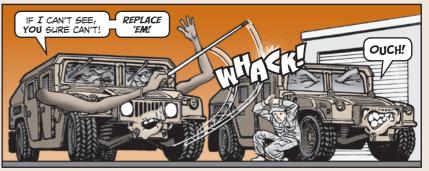
Before you write up a problem that may leave your mechanic scratching his head, shut down the engine and try wiping down the serpentine belt with a clean, dry cloth. If the squeak is silenced, your problem is solved.



HMMWV...

### GUIDANCE NEEDED FOR BALLISTIC GLASS





Dear Half-Mast,

Is there a message or specific guidance for when to change out HMMWV windshields that are delaminating?

My unit has a bunch of HMMWV windows that show signs of delamination and I'm wondering if any can be saved. Replacing them would be very expensive.

SSG C.G.U.

Dear Sergeant,

TACOM provided the following guidance on ballistic glass. If you see any of these conditions, replace the glass. It may be expensive, but safety always comes first.

- Cloudiness in the glass which interferes with vision.
- Rock chips, cracks with spider webbing, decals or stickers that impair vision.
- Severe damage that impairs vision or is greater than 20 percent of the window area.
- Any crack in the interior plastic spall liner layer nearest to the occupants (non-strike face). Small scratches in the plastic layer are not cause for replacement unless they interfere with vision.

Half-Mast

M1000 HET Semitrailer...

# WATCH OUT FOR DUONW WAY BOLTS



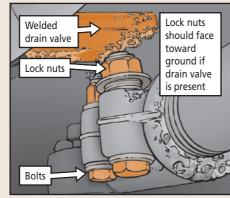
perators, take a close look at the number four street-side bogie (axle) on your HET M1000 semitrailer. Specifically, check for a welded drain valve at the bottom of the tank near the connector rod and connector rod end.

Now check the locknuts, NSN 5310-00-877-5795, and bolts, NSN 5305-00-719-5240, used on the connector rod, NSN 3040-01-371-7854. If the locknuts face the bottom of the trailer, they can snag the drain valve during steering.

In that case, your mechanic will need to reverse the locknuts and bolts so the locknuts are facing the ground. Make sure he uses new locknuts if the change is necessary.

Not all trailers have the welded drain valve. If the valve isn't there, the locknuts **should** face the trailer's bottom.

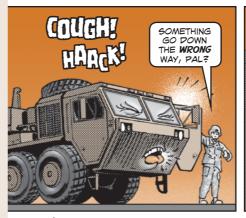
For more info, check out TACOM maintenance information message 15-031 on the TACOM-Unique Logistics Support Applications (TULSA) website:



https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/Maintenance/message.cfm?id=MA15-031.html You'll need your CAC and first-time users must first request access.

M1074/A1, M1075/A1 PLS...

## WATERY FUEL CHOKES YOUR TRUCK!





Level flows through the engine of your M1074/A1 and M1075/A1 PLS smooth and easy—as long as no water goes along for the ride.

That's why your PLS has a fuel-water separator. It's designed to keep water and crud out of the fuel. But it can't do that very long unless you drain it regularly.

Not draining the separator leaves water and dirt in the vehicle's fuel system, neither of which burns very well. Then the engine runs rough or not at all.

So make checking the fuel/water separator a part of your truck's PMCS. Check it after operation for the M1074/M1075 PLS (see WP 0127-19 of TM 9-2320-364-10). It's a before- and after-operation check for the M1074A1/M1075A1 (see WP 0122-6 and 0124-15 of TM 9-2320-319-10-2).

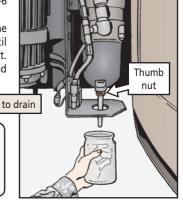
Put a container under the drain hose and turn the thumb nut on the separator. Allow it to drain until only pure fuel comes out, then close the thumb nut. If the fuel doesn't run clear, close the thumb nut and report it to your mechanic.

Place container under hose and turn thumb nut to drain



MAKE SURE YOU DUMP ANY DRAINED FUEL INTO AN APPROVED HAZARDOUS WASTE CONTAINER AS DIRECTED BY YOUR UNIT'S SOP.

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## INFLATE DEFLATED AIR SPRINGS



Some operators think they have to deflate both air springs before tilting the cab. And then they forget to re-inflate them when they finish their work.

With no air, the cab isn't level. Bumps and jars during operation can make the springs pinch the bag. A damaged bag won't hold air so your backside suffers big

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time on bumpy roads.

Truth is, the only time you should deflate the air springs is

should deflate the air springs is when you're preparing for air transport. So leave 'em alone at all other times.

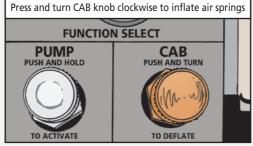
If the air springs on your truck are flat, re-inflate 'em. Just press and turn the CAB knob clockwise on the hydraulic manifold control panel.

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And if you have to replace the air springs, order them using NSN 2510-01-481-7663 and NSN 2510-01-481-7651. Your parts manual has the scoop.

Repair both springs on basic and -A1 model FMTVs (serial numbers 99,999 and below) by replacing just the air bag, NSN 2510-01-645-7268.

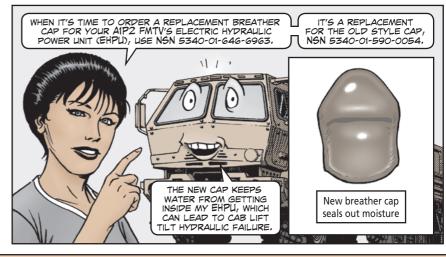
BY THE WAY, YOU **WON'T** FIND CAB AIR BAGS ON -AI MODEL FMTVS (SERIAL NUMBERS 100,001 AND HIGHER).





A1P2 FMTVs...

## NEW BREITHER CAP HEEPS OUT WATER



Combat and Tactical Vehicles...

01-184-4897

### A CHOCK OFF THE OLD BLOCK

NSN 2540-(LxWxH in inches) Material 01-271-7167 Rubber 7x6.5x5.38 Rubber 01-614-6138 8x8x8 01-509-5834 Rubber 8x9.5x5.75 Wood 00-678-3469 8x9.5x8 Rubber 01-510-2836 8x10x6 Rubber 9x15x6 01-459-4266 9.5x8x5.75 00-288-2873 Aluminum 9.5x19.5x4 01-579-0934 Wood 00-769-5048 Steel 11.25x11.5x5.5 Aluminum alloy 00-912-1848 12x15x9.375 01-165-6136 Wood 15.5x7.75x5.75 Aluminum allov 01-033-0703 18x18x3

Aluminum alloy

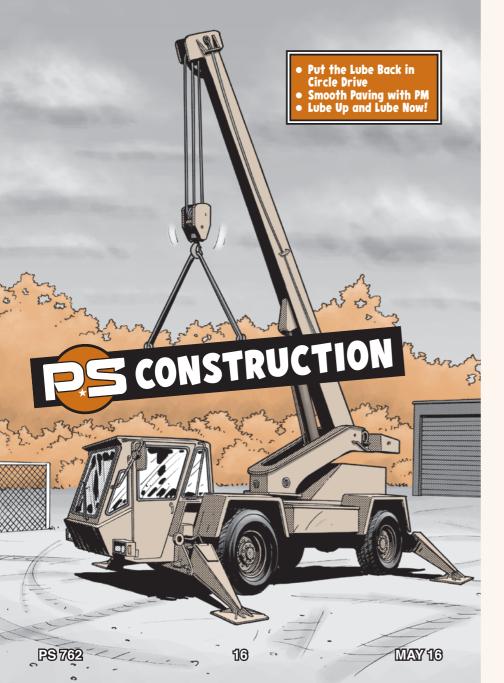
NEED CHOCK BLOCKS FOR YOUR COMBAT OR TACTICAL VEHICLE?

IF YOU CAN'T FIND ANY IN YOUR TMS, MAKE YOUR OWN OR FIND SOME THAT'LL WORK FROM THIS LIST...

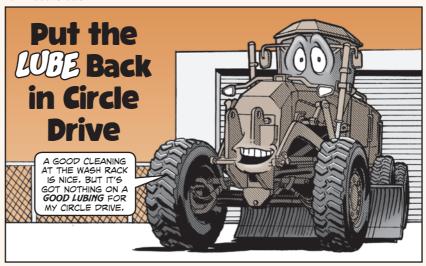


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120M Road Grader...



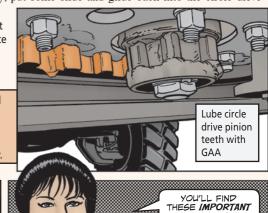
Operators, a good scrub-down at the wash rack will have your 120M road grader lookin' good. But all that washing takes a toll on the lube for the grader's circle drive. So before you call it a day, put some slide-and-glide back into the circle drive like this:

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 Apply some dry film lubricant to the top and bottom surface areas of the circle drive. NSN 9150-01-089-1697 brings a gallon of dry film lubricant.

 Get down on your hands and knees to add some GAA to the circle drive's pinion teeth. Grease lets the drive pinion rollers move smoothly.

GAA is available in these sizes:				
Size	NSN 9150-			
2 <sup>1</sup> /4-oz tube	01-197-7688			
14-oz cartridge	01-197-7693			
1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> -lb can	01-197-7690			
35-lb can	01-197-7692			



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LUBE POINTS
LISTED AS ITEMS
85 AND 86
IN THE AFTER
PMC\$ TABLES IN
TM 5-3805-29310 (DEC 10).

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#### Start Up

 Make sure the EMERGENCY STOP switch on each control panel is off and the left and right joysticks are in the neutral position.

2. Set the RUN/STOP toggle switches on both the left and right control pedestals to the STOP position.

- Make sure the BMPM's BATTERY DISCONNECT switch is set to ON.
- **4.** Set either the left or right run/stop toggle switches to the RUN position.
- Turn the keyless switch clockwise to the AUX position. Then continue turning the switch clockwise to the IGN position to engage the starter.
- **6.** Release the switch back to the AUX position once the engine starts.

#### 10 Minute Warm Up

The engine needs to warm up for 10 minutes in cold weather before the BMPM is operated. Warm up allows the vehicle's hydraulic oil to circulate for smooth operation. You'll find this info in WP 0006-3 of TM 5-3895-385-10 (Nov 11).



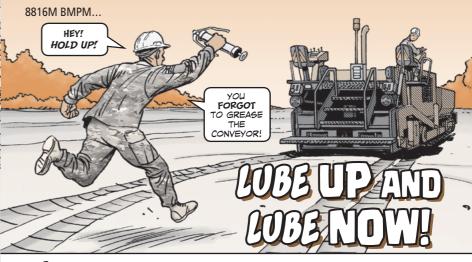
No Spray Ether!

THIS CAN'T BE EMPHAGIZED ENOUGH:

EMPHASIZED ENOUGH:
DO NOT USE SPRAY ETHER
AS A STARTING AID FOR THE
PAVING MACHINE'S ENGINE!

THE ENGINE HAG AN INTAKE AIR PRE-HEATER. USING ETHER SPRAY CAN CAUSE A FIRE OR EXPLOSION THAT COULD KILL SOMEONE!

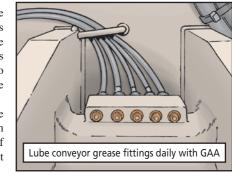




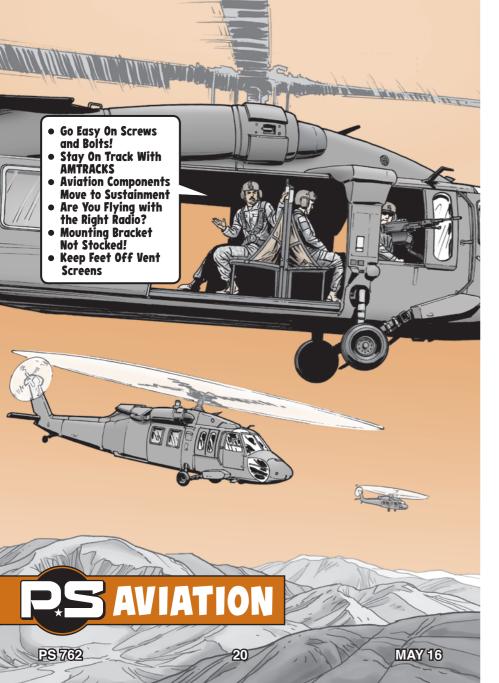
A little lube in the right place works wonders on your 8816M bituminous material paving machine (BMPM). And the conveyor grease fittings definitely qualify as the right place!

A bank of five conveyor grease fittings is located under the BMPM's hopper wing in the middle of the track on the curb side. These fittings get coated with dirt and sand, so make sure you wipe them off before starting the lube job.

For smooth paving operations, the fittings need grease daily. Give each fitting four to five shots of GAA. If any of the fittings clog and won't take grease, report it.

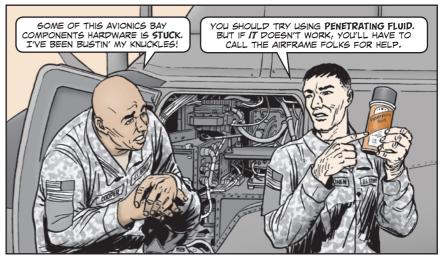


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OH-58D...

## GO FASY ON SCREWS AND BOLTS!



MECHANICS, GOING OVERBOARD WHEN SECURING COMPONENTS IN YOUR KIOWA WARRIOR'S AFT AVIONICS BAY MEANS SOMEONE ELSE WILL HAVE TO WORK UP A SWEAT REMOVING THEM.



The aft avionics bay is a tight space and packed with lots of components. There's not a lot of wiggle room for tools. So instead of adding one or two extra turns when tightening bolts and screws, follow the TM. Tighten them just enough so they can still be removed later. If there is a torque requirement, follow that, but never go beyond it.

When nuts and bolts are over-tightened, there's no way to break loose bolts or screws to remove or replace a component, especially in a tightly packed avionics bay. Then components get broken or mechanics really do bust their knuckles.

Stuck bolts and screws can be loosened with penetrating fluid, NSN 6850-00-973-9091. But if that doesn't work, you'll need to call the airframe folks. They have the right tools to break loose overtightened hardware.

In the end, if you think you can't remove overtightened hardware without stripping it, call the airframe folks and let them handle it.

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## **Stay On Track With AMTRACKS**







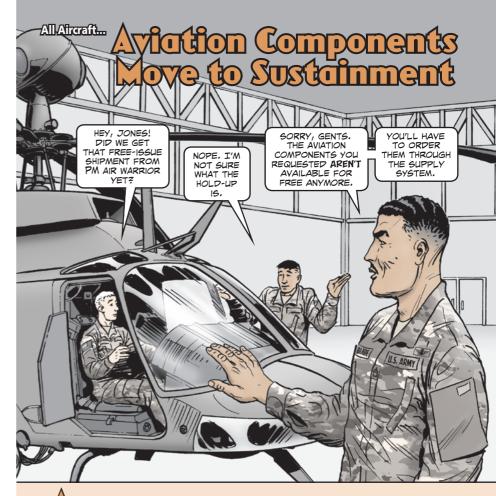


If you haven't heard, there's a tool in the aviation arsenal called the AMCOM Message Tracking System (AMTRACKS). Its objective is to track compliance with aviation safety/maintenance messages and to let users know if their equipment is up-to-date.

Safety is very important in the aviation sector. But safety requirements for ground support equipment sometimes get overlooked simply because that equipment isn't aircraft.

Now, the PM for AGSE is joining the team to add the standard aircraft towing system (SATS), the aviation ground power unit (AGPU) and the generic aircraft nitrogen generator (GANG) to AMTRACKS.

To manage your equipment, simply select the piece of equipment and enter the serial number just like you would with an aircraft. Go to the website at: <a href="https://amtracks.redstone.army.mil">https://amtracks.redstone.army.mil</a>



Aviation Mission Survivability Officers (AMSO), back on 1 Nov 13 the electronic data manager (EDM), NSN 7022-01-535-8774; the global positioning system (GMR-500), NSN 5895-01-591-9449; and the message router without GPS (GMR-100), NSN 5895-01-591-3922, were transitioned to sustainment under the CECOM Life Cycle Management Command's (LCMC) Enterprise Soldier Aviation (ESA).

That means the items are no longer available as free issue from PM Air Warrior. Replacements must be requisitioned and all unserviceable equipment must be turned in through normal supply channels.

Questions? Contact CECOM ESA item manager Jordan Hancock at DSN 648-1374, (443) 395-1374, or email: jordan.w.hancock.civ@mail.mil

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PILOTS, HAVING THE **RIGHT** RADIO IN YOUR LAKOTA ROTORCRAFT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN COMMUNICATING AND NOT

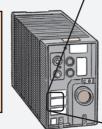
BOTH AIRFRAMES USE RT-5000, REMOTE MOUNT, MULTI-BAND AM/FM TRANSCEIVER RADIOS.

THE VERSION USED FOR OH-58A/C KIOWAS DOES NOT ALLOW FOR DIGITAL TRANSMISSION AND RECEPTION OF THE SAME FREQUENCY SIGNALS LIKE THE RT-5000 APPROVED FOR THE LAKOTA.

LAKOTAS EQUIPPED WITH A SECURITY AND SUPPORT (S&S) MEP NEED THE RT-5000S WITH PN 400-105525-6011 FOR COMM #4 AND

PN 400-105525-6111 FOR COMM #5.

IF YOUR UH-72A'S RADIO ISN'T OPERATING PROPERLY EYEBALL THE PART NUMBER (PN) AND CROSS CHECK THAT PN AGAINST THE PROPER SUPPLEMENTAL TYPE CERTIFICATE (STC) FOR THE CORRECT MISSION EQUIPMENT PACKAGE (MEP) OF THE ROTORCRAFT.



THE BAD NEWS IS THAT SOME RT-5000 RADIOS MEANT FOR KIOWA OH-58A/C MODELS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED ON THE LAKOTA UH-72A MODELS. THE WRONG RADIO SETS WERE MOVED INTO UNIT AVIONIC STOCKS AND USED IN LAKOTAS AS LINE REPLACEABLE UNITS (LRUS).

Radio has wrong PN? Don't install in Lakota!

RT-5000 TRANSCEIVER P/N: 400-015525-5311 FAA PANA WODEL ELIGIBILITY

MODEL AS 350B BA B1 B2 B3 D WULFSBERG ELECTRONICS DIV Prescott, Arizona U.S.A. CAGE

FOR LAKOTAS IN A NON-S&S MEP CONFIGURATION, THE RT-5000 RADIO SHOULD BE PN 400-015525-5111

IF YOU FIND AN UNAUTHORIZED UNAUTHORIZED
RADIO IN YOUR
LAKOTA, MAKE THE
FOLLOWING ENTRY
IN THE AIRCRAFT OGBOOK...

%RT-5000 (PN 400-015525-xxxx\*) required removal and replacement per aircraft's STC with correct RT-5000 (PN 400-015525-xxxx\*)"

> \*ENSURE THE PN(S) REFLECT THE RT-5000 TO BE REMOVED AND THE CORRECT PN (6) FOR THE MEP VERSION THAT IS GOING TO BE INSTALLED.

GOT QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RT-5000 RADIO? CONTACT KEITH STILWELL, DSN 645-0797, (256) 955-0797 OR EMAIL: keith e.stilwell.civ@mail.mil

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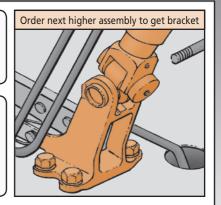
MECHANICS, ARE YOU HAVING PROBLEMS ORDERING THE MOUNTING BRACKET, NSN 5340-01-431-3065, FOR YOUR APACHE?



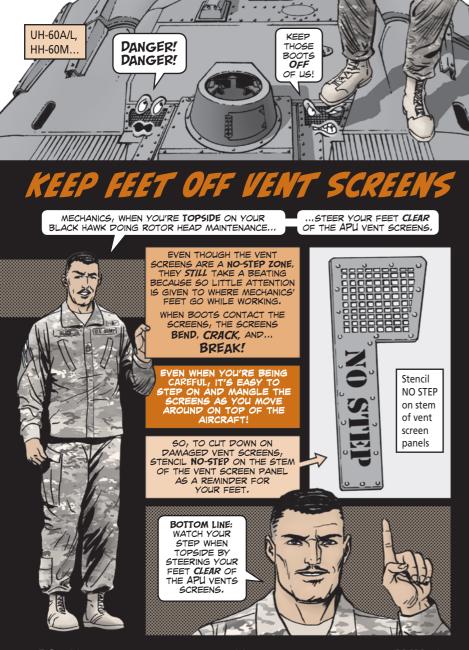


THAT'S BECAUSE IT ISN'T STOCKED AND CAN'T BE ORDERED AS A SEPARATE ITEM.

INSTEAD, YOU'LL HAVE TO ORDER THE NEXT HIGHER ASSEMBLY, THE QUADRANT CONTROL ASSEMBLY, NSN 1680-01-375-0815.



OPERATING IN COMM #4. PS 762 25 MAY 10















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#### Dear Diary,

End of Day 1 at new job, already overwhelmed by the piles on my desk. All schooling aside, I'm really a newbie at this supply stuff.

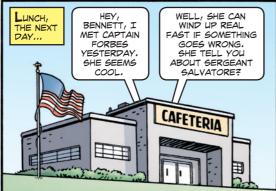
Where do























Dear Diary,

Pay 5.
Yeah, I've
had training,
but nothing
prepared me
for this huge
backlog.

How can I get a handle on things?







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A FEW WEEKS LATER, SGT GILBERT IS STILL SORTING THROUGH THE MESSY STACKS OF STUFF ON HER DESK. SHE OPENS A TM AND FINDS THIS MYSTERIOUS NOTE ...

HOW DO I FIND ITEM MANAGERS

THIS MUST BE SERGEANT SALVATORE'S LAST CRY FOR HELP, I'M BEGINNING TO THINK HE WASN'T CRAZY AFTER ALL.

I'M IN OVER MY HEAD, TOO! NOBODY ELSE HERE HAS A CLUE EITHER, THEY JUST TELL ME TO 'FIGURE IT OUT.'



NO MATTER HOW HARD IT GETS, I'VE GOT TO HANG IN THERE.























Dear Diary, Day 61.

I don't think I can do this alone. It's sink or swim time, and I'm sinking! I need HELP!!
But where do
I find it?







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....SO DON'T WASTE ANOTHER SECOND!
AS SOON AS WE'RE DONE HERE GO
STRAIGHT TO AKO AND CHECK OUT THE
CSDP AND PROPERTY ACCOUNTABILITY
KNOWLEDGE CENTER AT:
https://www.us.army.mil/suite/
page/670916

THEY'VE GOT TONS OF SUPPLY AND PROPERTY BOOK INFO. IF YOU PON'T FIND WHAT YOU NEED, CLICK THE RED ASK THE EXPERT BUTTON, OR EMAIL: USAFMy.lee.tradoc.mbx.pa-csdphelpdesk@mail.mil





IF NOT, WRITE DOWN THE LETTERS THERE. GO BACK TO THE MAIN PAGE AND ENTER THAT CODE INTO THE ANALYST CODE BOX.



YUP. IF YOU CAN'T FIND A TM FOR YOUR EQUIPMENT, SEARCH IN FED LOG FOR THE NON OR LIN. UNDER "SOO" OR SOURCE OF SUPPLY, YOU MAY FIND A MANUFACTURER LISTED. SOMETIMES THEY HAVE COMMERCIAL TMS. BUT IF UNDER "SOO" THE ITEM IS CODED SMS, THAT'S DLA. WITH MORE STUFF GOING TO SUSTAINMENT, DLA IS OFTEN THE POC.

IN THAT CASE, YOU GOTTA GO THROUGH PLA'S CUSTOMER SUPPORT DESK. CALL THE PLA CUSTOMER INTERACTION CENTER TOLL-FREE AT (877) 352-2255, PSN 661-7766, (269) 961-7766, OR EMAIL: dlacontactcenter@dla.mil











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OH, NOW I REMEMBER! I'VE BEEN HEARING AND SEEING THE INITIALS PS EVERYWHERE, ODD.



INDEED. NOW THAT I'VE GOTTEN YOU OFF TO A GOOD START, GILBERT, I'LL LEAVE YOU TO WRANGLE SOME ORDER OUTTA THIS CHAOS, GIVE ME A CALL IF YOU NEED HELP.

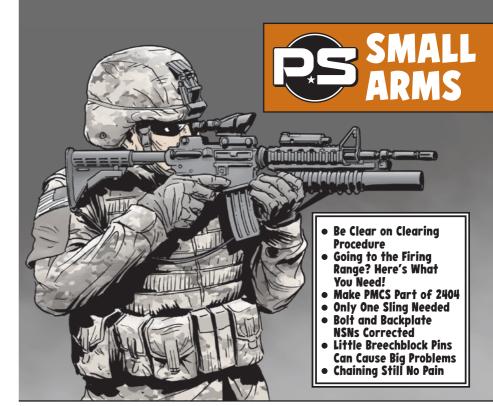


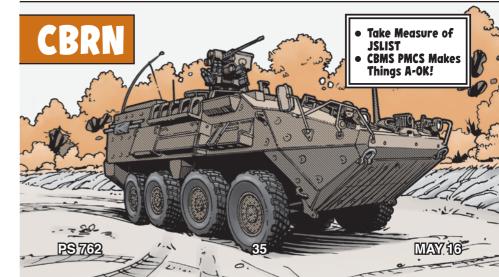












## BE ( ON CLEARING PROCEDURE







#### Dear Editor,

The M16/M4 TM 9-1005-319-10 (Jun 10) and FM 3-22.9 (Aug O8, w/Ch1, Feb 11) give different procedures for clearing the weapon. The FM requires the Soldier to dry fire the weapon, while the TM doesn't. It would be a good idea for PS to clear up the clearing confusion.

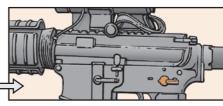
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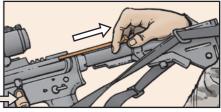


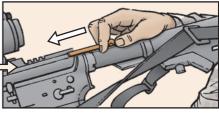
BUT THAT MAY BE A WAYS DOWN THE ROAD. SO HERE'S HOW THE PROCEDURE WILL READ IN PARA 2-19 IN THE TM:

#### OPERATING PROCEDURES— UNLOADING AND CLEARING YOUR RIFLE

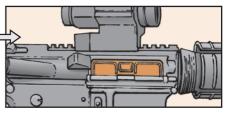
- 1. Point weapon in a safe direction.
- 2. Place weapon selector lever on SAFE. (NOTE: If the weapon is not cocked, lever cannot be pointed toward SAFE.) Remove magazine by depressing magazine catch button and pulling the magazine down.
- 3. Lock the bolt open.
  - (1) Pull the charging handle to the rear.
  - (2) Press and hold the bottom of the bolt catch.
  - (3) Allow the bolt to move forward until it engages the bolt catch.
  - (4) Return the charging handle to the forward position.
  - (5) Ensure that the selector is on SAFE.
- **4.** Visually inspect the chamber to ensure it contains no ammunition.
- **5.** Allow the bolt to move forward by pressing the upper portion of the bolt catch.
- **6.** Close the ejection port cover.











NOTE: IF WEAPON IS TO BE STORED, IT SHOULD BE DRY FIRED TO RELEASE TENSION ON HAMMER SPRING: UNLOAD AND CLEAR THE RIFLE. KEEPING THE WEAPON POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION, PLACE SELECTOR LEVER ON SEMI AND SQUEEZE THE TRIGGER.

IN PARA 3-3, **PELETE** "PULL BACK CHARGING HANDLE (1) AND CHECK CHAMBER (2). PLACE SELECTOR LEVER ON SAFE."

PARA 4-1 OF THE FM WILL SAY ESSENTIALLY THE SAME THING. UNITS SHOULD MAKE COPIES OF THE PROCEDURE AND DISTRIBUTE THEM TO ALL SOLDIERS WHO USE THE M16 OR M4.

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## GOING TO THE FIRING RANGE?



# HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED!





IT CAN BE FRUSTRATING TO ARRIVE AT THE FIRING RANGE ONLY TO REALIZE YOU'RE MISSING IMPORTANT ITEMS LIKE TARGETS.

A FEW YEARS
BACK, MAGTER
SERGEANT ERNIE
HAMMONS (RET)
FROM CAMP
BEAUREGARD IN
PINEVILLE, LA,
SHARED THIS LIST
OF NGNS FOR
EVERYTHING
YOU NEED AT
THE RANGE.

,
ARMORERS,
KEEP A COPY
OF THIS LIST.
YOU'LL NEED IT
EVENTUALLY,
GAR-ON-TEED
(AS THEY SAY
IN LOUISIANA)!



ltem	NSN
Sandbags (100)	8105-00-285-4744
Staple gun	5120-00-889-1796
Staples, 1/2 in	5315-00-889-2605
Staples, 3/8 in	5315-00-889-2604
Fire extinguisher	4210-01-149-1356
Glue, target adhesive	8040-00-275-8105
Stopwatch	6645-01-106-4302
Tape, 100 mph, 2 in	7510-00-515-0319
Tape, 100 mph, 1 in	7510-00-890-9872
Tape, engineer white	8315-01-463-5853
Magazine, M16 (30 round)	1005-01-561-7200
Magazine, M9	1005-01-204-4376
Magazine, M14	1005-00-628-9048
Pasters, black (5,000)	6920-00-165-6354
Pasters, white (5,000)	6920-00-172-3572
Nails, 10d (1 lb box)	5315-00-753-3883
Targets, M16A2 zero (25 meter)	6920-01-253-4005
Targets, M16A2 zero (15 meter)	6920-01-167-1393
Targets, M16A2 and M4 zero (25 meter)	6920-01-395-2949
Targets, M16A1/A2 (25 meter)	6920-01-167-1398
Targets, M16A1/A2 (15 meter)	6920-01-167-1396
E type silhouettes, plastic	6920-00-071-4780

Item	NSN		
Targets, M9 pistol	6920-01-276-6604		
CLP, 4 oz bottle	9150-01-079-6124		
CLP, 1/2 oz bottle	9150-01-102-1473		
Cleaning compound, rifle bore (RBC)	6850-00-224-6656		
Oil, LSA (2 oz bottle)	9150-00-935-6597		
Oil, LSA (4 oz bottle)	9150-00-889-3522		
Toothbrush	1005-00-494-6602		
Swabs, M16 cleaning	1005-00-912-4248		
Swabs (for M240B, M9, M2)	1005-00-288-3565		
Cleaners, pipe	9920-00-292-9946		
VS17 panel, marker for helicopter landing	8345-00-174-6865		
Cups, styrofoam 6 oz (1,000)	7350-00-721-9003		
Earplugs, foam (200)	6515-00-137-6345		
Earplugs, combat (50 pr)	6515-01-466-2710		
Earplug cases (20)	6515-01-100-1674		
Rod, brass (for clearing M16, M4, M249)	3439-00-244-4541		
First aid kit	6545-00-922-1200		
Flag, red range	8345-00-025-3355		
M249 front sight tool	5120-13-112-9600		

Item	NSN
Assault pack, ACU Molle	8465-01-524-5250
Trash bags, clear (33 gal)	8105-01-183-9768
Trash bags, clear (10 gal)	8105-01-195-8730
Self-sealing bags, clear (quart)	8105-00-837-7755
Combat lifesaver bag (complete)	6545-01-254-9551
Rags (50 lb bundle)	7920-00-205-1711
Case, weapons cleaning, with ALICE belt clip	1005-00-781-9564
Clip	1005-00-781-9564
Chemlights, green (for night firing)	6260-01-074-4229
Flashlight filter, green	6230-00-504-8341
Chemlights, red (for night firing)	6260-01-178-5559
Flashlight filter, red	6230-00-504-8342
Sunblock	6505-01-121-2336
Cooler, water (5 gal), brown	7330-00-893-8550
M16/M4 improved cleaning kit	1005-01-562-7393

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## Make PMC5 Part of 2404



#### Dear Editor,

For years, many motor pools have used DA Form 2404s, Equipment Inspection and Maintenance Worksheet, that actually list each specific PMCS check (DA Form 5988E is the electronic version). That way a Soldier has to initial that he did each check, which better ensures each check is done.

We decided to apply the same principle to small arms. For each weapon in the arms room, as well as for the M119A2 howitzer, and the M224, M252 and M120 mortars, we developed 2404s that list verbatim every PMCS check for the annual inspection by the small arms or howitzer repairer.

When the repairer is ready to do the annual inspection, we print out the 2404 for him. Repairers, of course, also need to use the weapon's -23&P TM for reference. Just like with the regular 2404, all the information is then entered into SAMS-E.

We keep our 2404s in an electronic format so they can easily be updated when the TMs are updated. It's important that the PMCS on the 2404 remain identical to what's in the -23&P TM.

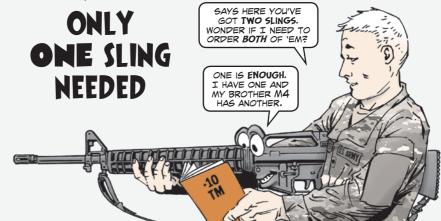
We believe this system has greatly increased the thoroughness of our battalion's weapons PMCS.

SSG Chad Washburn B Co, 526 BSB F† Campbell, KY

**Editor's note:** We're for anything that makes for better PMCS, especially when it encourages use of the -23 TMs. Ft Campbell has provided PS with electronic versions of their 2404s. If you would like copies, just send an email to:

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

M16-Series Rifle, M4/M4A1 Carbine...



Dear Editor,

The M16/M4's TM 9-1005-319-10 lists two slings in the components of end item (COEI). But because there is no usable on code (UOC) for either sling, commanders sometimes mistakenly think they need both slings.

Not true! One sling is all you need. Use NSN 1005-01-216-4510 for an M16 sling and NSN 1005-01-368-9852 for an M4 sling.

David Barger Command Maintenance Evaluation and Training Team (COMET) Ft Campbell, KY



MK 19 Machine Gun...

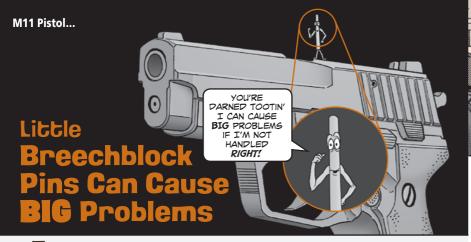
## **Bolt and Backplate NSNs Corrected**

Dear Editor,

Please alert your readers that the parts list for the MK 19's bolt and backplate assembly in TM 9-1010-230-23&P (31 Aug 12) is wrong. Fig 5 lists different part numbers for the same item.

SGT Thomas Lovas CSMSA Manchester, NJ Editor's note: TACOM is aware of the mistake and will correct this in the next TM revision. In the meantime, you can get the correct parts list by writing PS at: usarmy.redstone.logsa.mbx.psmag@mail.mil Thanks for alerting us, Sergeant.

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The M11 pistol's breechblock pins may be little, but they can cause big problems if they're not handled correctly.

If the pins are installed wrong, they can be damaged, which lets the breechblock float in the slide assembly. That makes the M11 NMC. Incorrectly installed pins also wear out the breechblock and slide assembly faster.

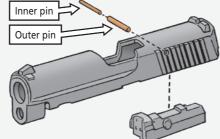
#### To avoid being pinned down by breech-block pin problems, remember these points:

Removal and installation of the breechblock pins should be done only by the 91F repairman. Operators and armorers need to leave the pins alone.

The pins should be installed with the outer pin's slot at the 12 o'clock position and the inner pin's at 6 o'clock. The pins should be inspected quarterly by the 91F to ensure they're in the correct position.

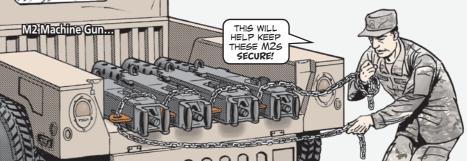
Install **outer pin** with slot at 12 o'clock and **inner pin** with slot at 6 o'clock

Remove the breechblock pins only during disassembly and repair of the slide assembly. The pins aren't reusable. Any time they're removed they should be replaced with new ones.



Some breechblock pins in the field are too large. They're in lot numbers W16BEC-15-0002, W16BEC-15-0003 and W16BEC-15-0004. If you find any of these pins, file a PODR.

Any time a pin doesn't want to fit, don't force it. You'll only damage the pin. Try a different one.



## CHAINING STILL NO PAIN

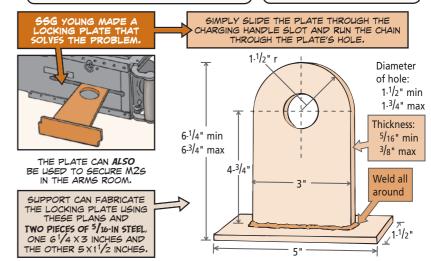
Dear Editor,

Years ago PS ran a suggestion on how to chain M2 machine guns together for transport to the field. We have found that suggestion so useful over the years. It would be a good idea to repeat it for all the Soldiers who have come into the Army since then.

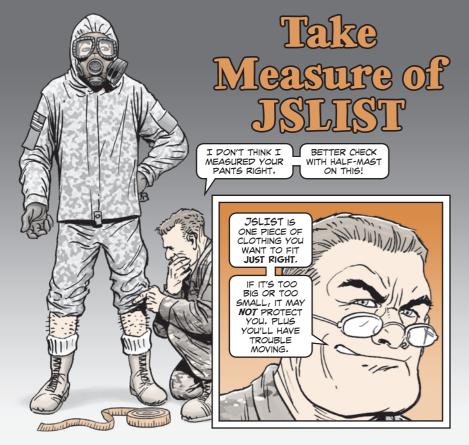
CW2 John Blanton CSMS Ft Polk, LA SURE THING, CHIEF, THAT WAS IN PS 586 (SEP OI) AND THE SUGGESTION CAME FROM 55G CARL YOUNG OF PORT NECHES, TX.

THE **PROBLEM** IS THAT IF YOU DON'T HAVE A RACK FOR TRANSPORTING M25 TO THE FIELD YOU MUST SECURE THEM BY **RUMNING A CHAIN** THROUGH THE BARREL EXTENSION HOLES.

BUT THE HOLES AREN'T ALWAYS THE SAME DIAMETER, SO IT'S A **PAIN** TO FIND A CHAIN THAT FITS **ALL** OF THEM.



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JUST BECAUSE
A SOLDIER
WEARS A CERTAIN
UNIFORM SIZE
DOESN'T MEAN
HE'LL WEAR THAT
SIZE JOLIST.

HERE'S THE SKINNY ON SIZING...

HAVE THE SOLDIER REMOVE HIS BOOTS. ASK HIM TO PLACE THE MEASURING TAPE ALONG THE INSIDE OF HIS LEG AS HIGH AS POSSIBLE.

WITH THE SOLDIER STANDING AS STRAIGHT AS POSSIBLE WITH BOTH FEET TOGETHER, MEASURE TO THE FLOOR, NEXT, MEASURE HIS WAIST. THEN USE THIS CHART...

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	WAIST CIRCUMFERENCE (Inches)						

FOR THE COAT, MEASURE THE SOLDIER'S HEIGHT WITHOUT BOOTS AND THEN HIS CHEST.

LOCATE WHICH COAT HE NEEDS ON THIS CHART...

DON'T FORGET TO KEEP TRACK OF HOW LONG A JSLIST IS OUT OF ITS BAG AND HOW MANY TIMES YOU WASH IT.

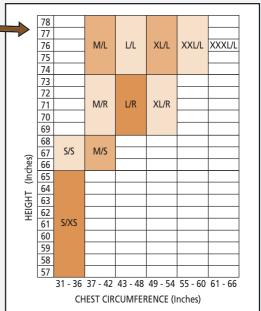
ONCE A JSLIST IS REMOVED FROM THE BAG, IT'S GOOD FOR 120 DAYS MAX.

THE LIMIT FOR WEARING
JGLIGT IS 45 DAYS AND THE
LIMIT FOR WASHING IS SIX TIMES
(MARK EACH WASH ON THE
JGLIGT CARE LABEL).

ONCE ANY OF THESE LIMITS ARE REACHED, THE SUIT IS GOOD ONLY FOR TRAINING.

STENCIL ON THE SUIT IN BIG LETTERS

#### FOR TRAINING ONLY



HOW TIME
HAS FLOWN!
120 PAYS
HAVE GONE
BY AND
NOW YOUR
PROTECTION
DAYS ARE
OVER!

WELL, I CAN
STILL TRAIN
YOU FOR THE
REAL THING!

NEVER USE A KNIFE TO OPEN A JSLIST BAG, EVEN A SLIGHT NICK CAN RUIN A SLIT, USE THE BAG'S TEAR NOTCH TO OPEN IT.

WHEN YOU'RE SUITING UP, PUT THE PANTS ON FIRST. YOU'LL NEED TO ADJUST THE SUSPENDERS BEFORE YOU PUT ON THE COAT.

ONCE YOU'VE GOT THE SUSPENDERS RIGHT, PUT ON THE COAT, THEN THE BOOTS, THEN THE MASK AND FINALLY THE GLOVES.

DON'T FORGET TO ATTACH THE STRAP
THAT HOLDS THE COAT DOWN OVER
THE PANTS, IT'S UNCOMFORTABLE,
BUT WITHOUT THE STRAP, THE COAT
WON'T STAY IN PLACE.



HOLD ON THERE, PARDNER! PUT MY PANTS ON FIRST SINCE YOU'LL NEED TO ADJUST THE SUSPENDERS!

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## **CBMS PMCS Makes Things A-OK!**

IF YOU'RE RUNNING INTO PROBLEMS WITH M1135 NBCRV STRYKER'S CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL MASS SPECTROMETER II (CBMS II), A LITTLE WEEKLY PMCS CAN MAKE THINGS A-OK.

 Do a complete Operator PMCS HOLD IT, BUB. MY using TM 3-6665-392-13&P, CBMS HAS ONLY BEEN IN STANDBY FOR THREE HOURS, IT'S GOT including the weekly PMCS. Make sure you put the system in ANOTHER HOUR TO GO. STANDBY and run it for 4 hours to ensure it's fully mission capable.

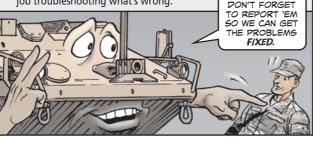
• Give the CBMS II as much time as it needs to complete its builtin-test (BIT) sequence. If you shut down the CBMS too soon, it eventually can lead to BIT failures with a corresponding FAIL code on Page 6 of the status tab. Running the BIT sequence plus the confidence checks can take up to 5 hours. But the CBMS will do most of that automatically without your having to stand over it. If you do the weekly PMCS on time, it cuts down the time needed to complete the start up procedure.

• Do the confidence checks both before and after you go into STANDBY for PMCS.

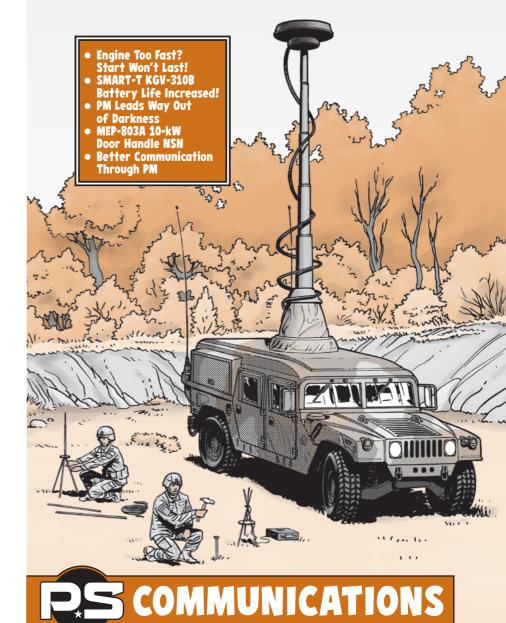
• Document any FAIL codes from Page 6 on either a DA Form 5988-E or 2404. That way the field level maintainer can do a better job troubleshooting what's wrong.

OK, YOU GOT TWO FAIL CODES ON MY CBMS PMCS. DON'T FORGET SO WE CAN GET THE PROBLEMS

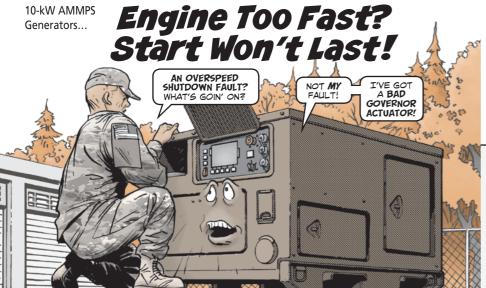
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Shut down the CBMS like it says in TM 3-6665-392-13&P. Make sure the soldier display unit (SDU) says it's safe to turn off the power before you do.



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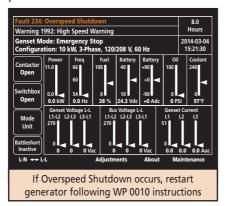


as your 10-kW advanced medium mobile power system (AMMPS) generator been showing a Fault 234: Overspeed Shutdown code during startup? Then read on.

The overspeed shutdown occurs when the engine goes 10 percent beyond its rated speed. In this case, the greater engine speed is caused by a faulty governor actuator. The shutdown happens when the air temperature is between 21°F and 41°F.

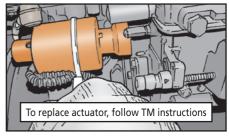
If a Fault 234: Overspeed Shutdown code shows up on the generator's digital control system (DCS) screen, take the CORRECTIVE ACTION found in WP 0010 of TM 9-6115-750-10 (Feb 11):

- **Step 1.** Push the FAULT RESET switch to clear the fault on the DCS display.
- **Step 2.** Turn the engine control switch to START.
- **Step 3.** If the Fault 234: Overspeed Shutdown reappears, notify field maintenance.



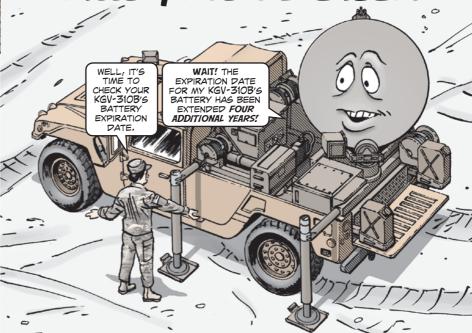
Usually, three startup attempts are enough to warm the engine for starting. If you have a winterization kit attached to the generator, you may want to start the kit before starting the generator.

The manufacturer has removed the faulty governor actuator from AMMPS production and replaced it with a new actuator, NSN 2910-01-626-5028, that should prevent overspeed shutdowns. Actuator replacement instructions are found in WP 0069-10 of TM 9-6115-750-24&P (Dec 11).



AN/TSC-154A Satellite Communication Terminal...

SMART-T KGV-310B Battery Life Increased!



The secure mobile anti-jam reliable tactical terminal's (SMART-T) battery expiration date has been extended four years beyond the current date stenciled on KGV-310Bs in the field. So make a note until the battery expiration date is updated.

Questions? Contact the SMART-T helpdesk at DSN 648-9324, (888) 663-8434 or by email at: usarmy.apg.cerdec.list.smart-t-help-desk@mail.mil

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# PM LEADS WAY OUT OF DARKNESS

YOU KNOW WHY YOU CAN'T SEE ANYTHING?

> YOU DIDN'T DO PMCS ON YOUR NVG!!

Dear Editor,

We have a few suggestions on the AN/PVS-14 night vision device (NVD) that will help Soldiers see clearly in the dark.

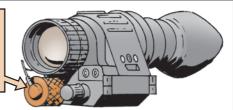


Keep track of the 180-day services. If armorers let their AN/PVS-14s miss the services, moisture builds up inside the NVDs and soon images become blurry. If you're not sure when the last time your -14s were serviced, check with support. They'll have a record.

If you're not wearing your -14, store it in its case. We've had several instances where -14s were run over because they had been left lying on the ground. If the storage case has disappeared, order one with NSN 5855-01-398-4284. To make doubly sure your -14 doesn't disappear, use something like 550 cord to tie the case to your pack.

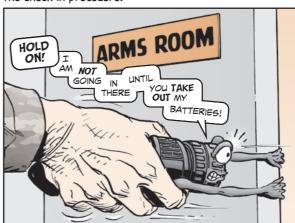


Single battery housing makes battery installation and removal much easier



Get the new single battery housing, NSN 5855-01-523-4058. Its screw cap makes it much easier to install and remove the battery. The new housing is installed by your repairman. Which leads us to the last tip...

...Remove the batteries for storage. If the -14 is going to be sitting in the arms room for weeks, TAKE THE BATTERIES OUT. We see so many -14s ruined because batteries aren't removed. The batteries leak and often the -14 is unrepairable. Make battery removal part of the check-in procedure.



SGT Frederick Barnes SSG James Rodgers 632nd Mtn Co Ft Stewart, GA WE CAN SEE CLEARLY THESE ARE GREAT SIGHT TIPS. THANKS ONCE AGAIN FOR YOUR HELP.



#### MEP-803A 10-kW Door Handle NSN

There's a new NSN and PN for the MEP-803A (10-kW) generator's door handle. Order it with NSN 5340-01-467-0760 (PN 579SDTXXSXXX, CAGE 27182). It replaces NSN 5340-01-379-0893 (PN S79SDTXXSXXX, CAGE 27182), which is listed as Item 5 in Fig 5 of TM 9-6115-642-24P (Oct 96). That NSN is a terminal item and the PN listed is wrong.

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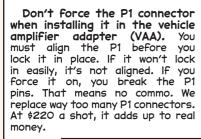


Dear Editor,

We take care of the RT-1523E and -1523F SINCGARS at Ft Stewart. We can testify loud and clear that these tips will boost radio communication:

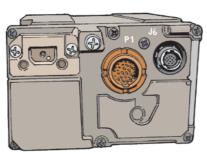
Unlock function switch knobs by gently pulling them out before turning them. We replace many knobs because Soldiers forget this simple rule. They repeatedly force the knobs to turn and eventually the knobs stop working.

Pull knob out before turning



Forcing P1 connector ruins pins



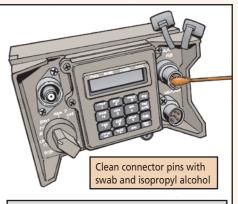


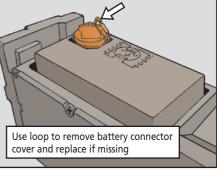
Trouble transmitting? Clean the connector pins. Just spending a few seconds cleaning connector pins with isopropyl alcohol, NSN 6810-00-753-4993, and a foam swab, NSN 7045-01-482-4037, will often erase communication problems.

When installing the battery, don't jerk on the battery cable. That puts the radio out of business.

Don't pry the battery connector cover off the battery. That damages the connector. The cover has a wire loop that lets you easily pull off the cover. If it's missing, tell your repairman. He can replace the loop with NSN 5995-01-461-8616. Of course, when you install the battery, don't make the mistake of getting the loop caught under the battery. That keeps you out of the loop.

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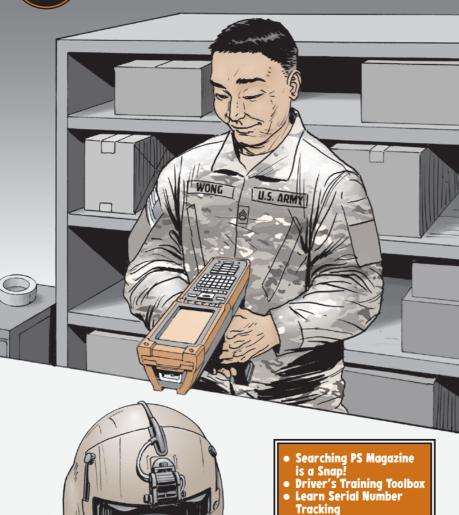




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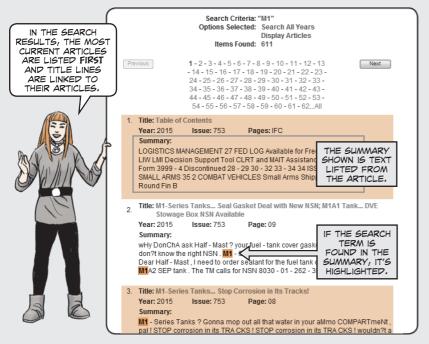
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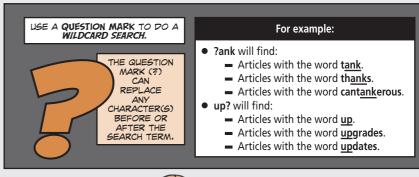






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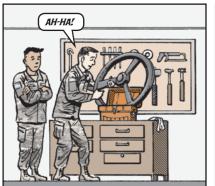
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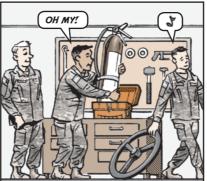


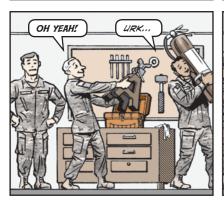


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o you need to know how to track serial-numbered equipment? Good news! The Logistics Support Activity (LOGSA) offers a serial number tracking training course.

The course has two parts. The first is the Serial Number Tracking Overview, and the second is the Serial Number Serialization Officer (SO) Responsibilities and Procedures.

Part one of the course is offered online as a Defense Collaboration Services (DCS)-based class. It's an overview that introduces users to the Army Serial Number Tracking (ARSNT) program in the Logistics Information Warehouse (LIW) Webl JDB.

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Part one of the

ARSNT course is

taught in DCS,

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Part one also covers:

- regulatory requirements to track serial-numbered items.
- data feeds that provide serial number data to LIW.
- how to run and interpret reports in ARSNT.
- how to use ARSNT data to ensure better item accountability.

Students need a CAC and must sign in on DCS in the chat box to confirm attendance. At the end of part one of the course, they'll get proof of completion.

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Students who finish part one have met the prerequisite for taking part two. The second part of the course:

- teaches users WebUIT reporting procedures, policy and reporting specifics.
- covers researching, resolving and reporting serial number issues to the registry.



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