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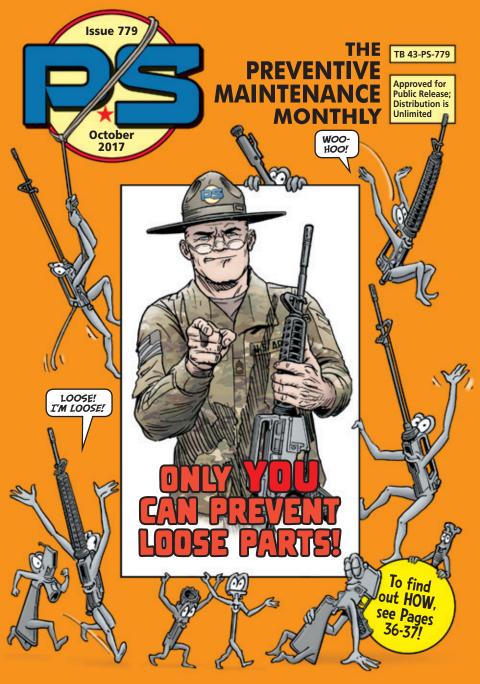
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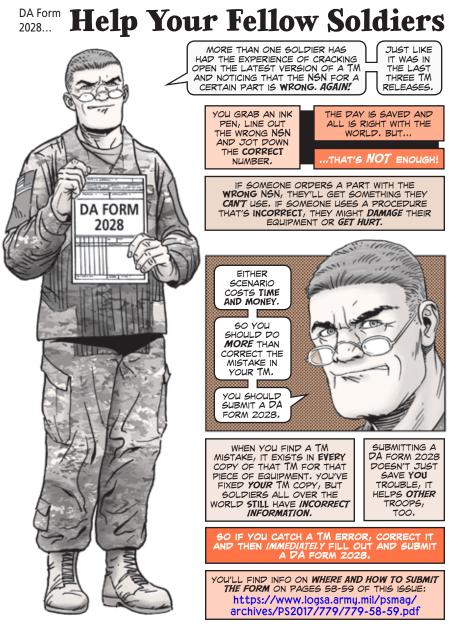
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POWER OFF SURGE THREAT



Dear Editor,

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

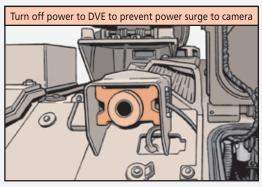
Sometimes drivers get in a hurry at the end of a mission and forget to turn off the power to the DVE before they shut down the engine and power off the vehicle.

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

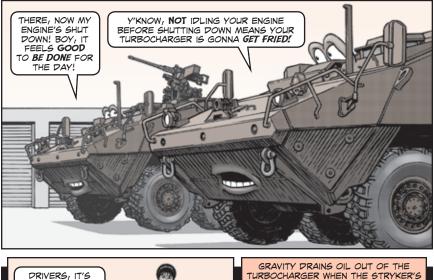
Always turn off power to the DVE before you shut down the engine and power off the vehicle. You'll also want to double-check that the DVE is shut down before applying power to the vehicle and starting the engine.

CW2 Jamie Brown Ft Bliss, TX

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



Stryker... Don't Skip the Idle



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

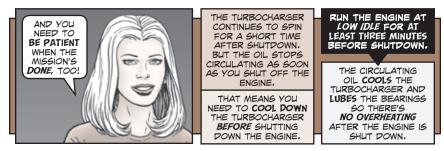
BUT BEING IN A HURRY IS NO EXCUSE FOR NOT STARTING UP YOUR STRYKER THE RIGHT WAY.

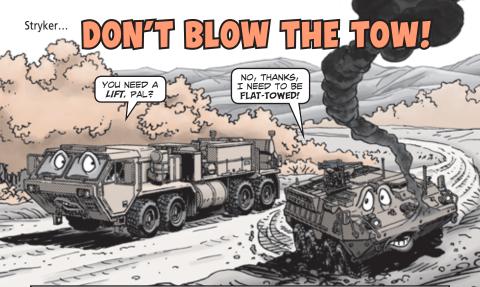


GRAVITY DRAINS OIL OUT OF THE TURBOCHARGER WHEN THE STRYKER'S BEEN SITTING FOR A WHILE, SO MAKE SURE YOU IPLE THE VEHICLE AT 650-700 RPM FOR 30 SECONDS OR SO BEFORE HEADING OUT, AND DON'T REY THE ENGINE WHILE YOU'RE WAITING!

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

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





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

Best way to tow disabled Stryker is with another Stryker and a tow bar

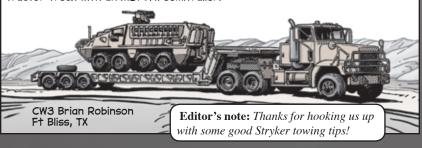
Towing the right way prevents costly damage to the transfer, the turbocharger and tires. Follow the towing procedures found in the -10 TM and you'll be all right.

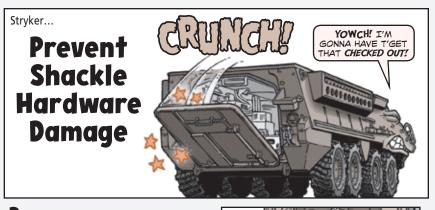
And remember that if a Stryker is so damaged it can't be flat-towed, mechanics **shouldn't** use a HEMTT wrecker to tow with the Stryker's front end suspended.

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

If Stryker is too damaged to flat tow, use trailer

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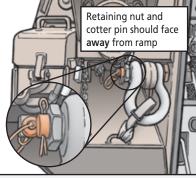




Drivers, be sure to take a minute to check the recovery lug shackles on the back of your Stryker.

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

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



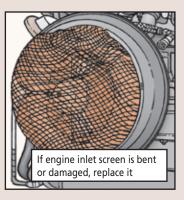
M1-Series Tanks...

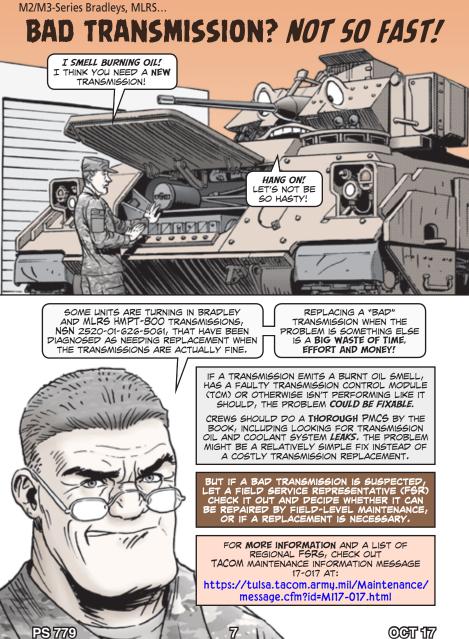
DON'T REPAIR INLET SCREEN!

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

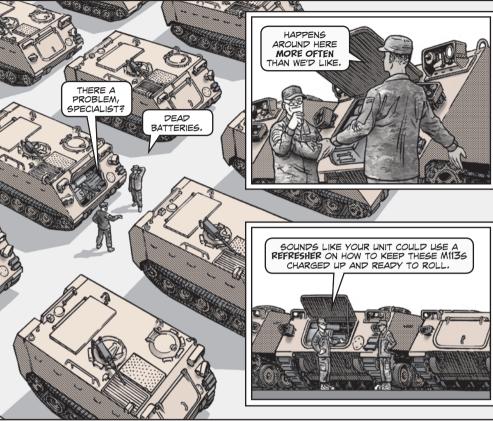
By trying to save your unit \$4,000 by repairing the screen, you could damage the AGT 1500 engine and cost your unit over \$500,000!

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



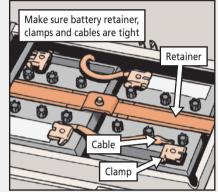


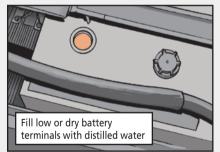
M113-Series FOV... BATTERY PM KEEPS YOU CHARGED TO FIGHT!

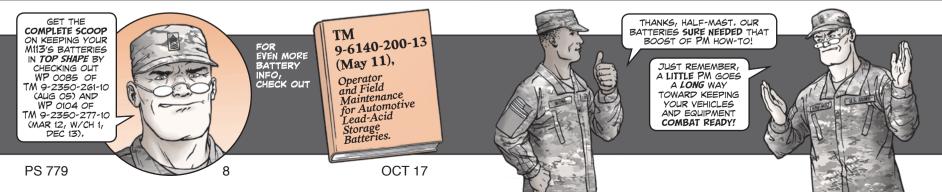


CREWMEN, CHECK OUT THESE PMCS TIPS SO YOUR VEHICLE'S BATTERIES DON'T FIZZLE OUT BEFORE YOUR MISSION BEGINS.

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

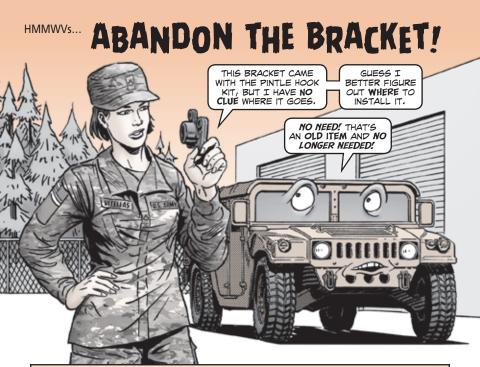












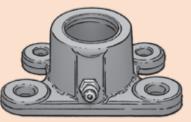
Dear Editor,

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

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

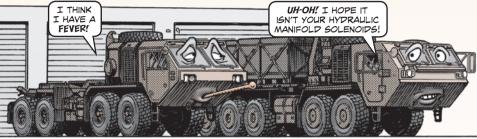
We thought it would be a good idea to let mechanics know so they won't try to install the -2432 bracket from the kit. It's just big enough to prevent proper installation of the castle nut.

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



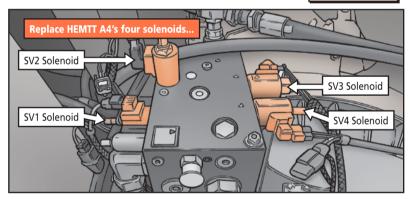
Editor's note: An excellent point, Sergeants! Mechanics, if you receive a kit that includes the bracket, leave it in the box.

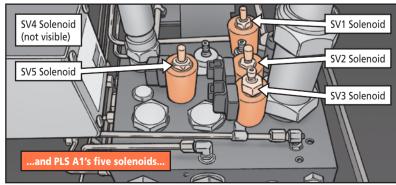
HEMIT A4, PLS A1... Replace Hydraulic Manifold Solenoids

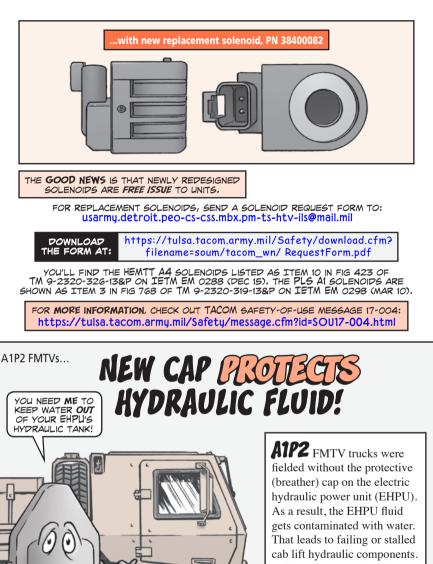


Was your HEMTT A4 OR PLS AI MANUFACTURED BEFORE 2016? THEN YOU NEED TO REPLACE THE SOLENOIDS ON THE HYDRAULIC DISTRIBUTION MANIFOLD RIGHT NOW.

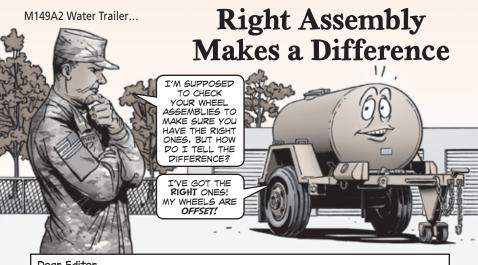
SOME OF THOSE SOLENOIDS MAY OVERHEAT AND CATCH FIRE!







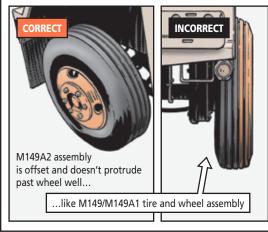
So order a new breather cap with NSN 5340-01-646-6963. That keeps water out of the EHPU's fluid.



Dear Editor.

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

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



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

1SG Garth Creekmore OHARNG

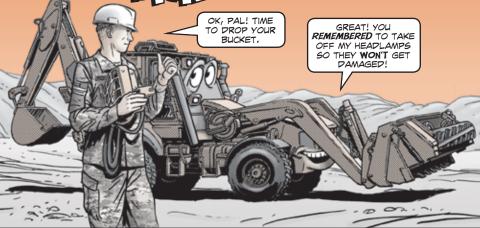
Editor's note: Operators, check your trailers now. If the wrong assembly is installed, notify your mechanic. And check out TACOM GPA 17-015 for more details on tire and wheel assemblies for small trailers:

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



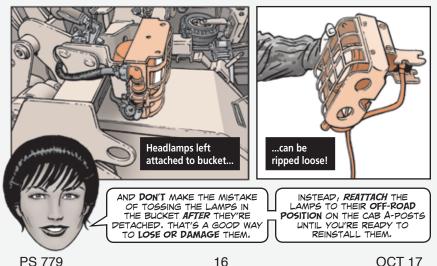
DON'T LET HEADLAMPS

HMEE-1...

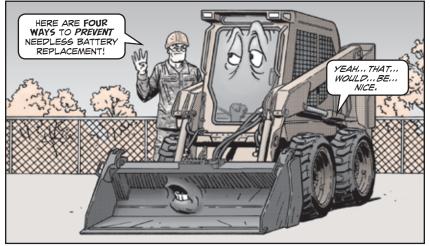


Uperators, remember to detach the front bucket headlamps whenever you're unloading the HMEE-1's bucket and BII boxes.

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



M400W Skid Loader... STOP NEEDLESS BATTERY REPLACEMENT!





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

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

HERE ARE FOUR WAYS TO STOP NEEDLESS BATTERY REPLACEMENT:

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

Lose an Anchor?

UH-OH!

THERE GOES

ANOTHER

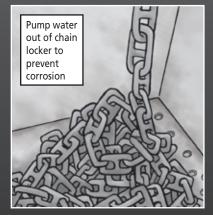
ANCHOR.

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

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

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

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



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

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

LCU-2000...

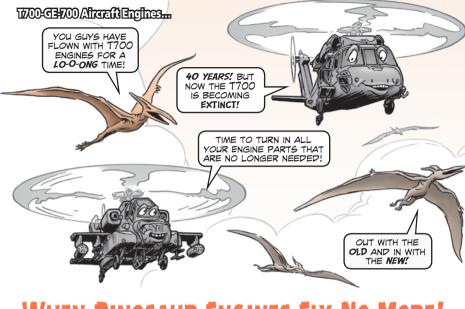
THAT'S

GONNA

COST 'EM

BIG TIME!





WHEN DINOSAUR ENGINES FLY NO MORE!

EVERYTHING THAT HAS A BEGINNING HAS AN EVENTUAL END.

ALL NATIONAL GUARD AIRCRAFT FLYING T7005 HAVE RETIRED THE LAST FEW AIRCRAFT WITH -700 ENGINES. ACTIVE DUTY UH-60AS WITH -700 ENGINES ARE EITHER RETIRED OR UPGRADED EXCEPT FOR 35 UH- AND EH-60AS.

THOSE REMAINING AT FT RUCKER WILL BE RETIRED AND REPLACED WITH THE MORE CAPABLE UH-60LS AND UH-60MS OPERATING -701D ENGINES WITH COMMON CONTROLS.



THE T700-GE-700 ENGINE LINE IS SWIFTLY APPROACHING THAT POINT

AFTER 40 YEARS OF HARD WORK.

	T700-GE-700 E>	cess Airframe	ltems
	ltem	NSN	PN
E	SDC	6630-01-342-0470	70450-01043-126
0	CDU	2520-01-342-0497	70450-01043-126
F VT	Engine inlet anti-ice valve	4810-01-116-7091	70306-10012-107
NG	Bleed-air shutoff valve	4810-01-108-7364	70306-02102-103
ON	L/H engine to airframe harness	5995-01-101-9852	70552-10101-101
;	R/H engine to airframe harness	5995-01-102-6086	70552-10101-101

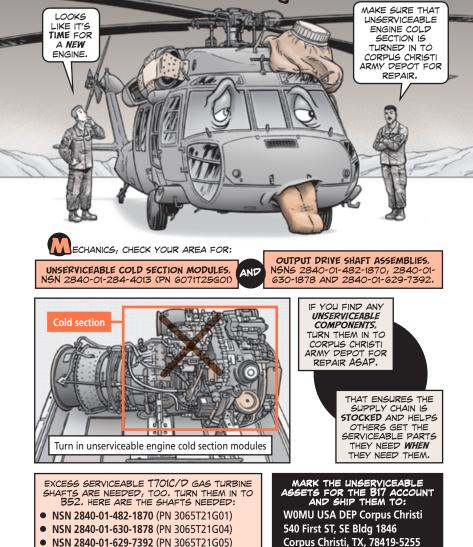
T700-GE-700 Excess Engine Components			NATIONAL GUARD UNITS
Item	NSN	PN	SHOULD CONTACT THEIR TASMG FOR ASSISTANCE
Engine T700-GE-700 assembly	2840-01-070-1003	6035T00G01	WITH EXCESS
Cold section module	2840-01-094-5547	6035T02G01	PROPERTY. THERE MAY BE
Combustion liner	2840-01-344-5923	6064T55G01	OPPORTUNITIES TO BUNDLE
Inlet particle separator duct	2840-01-121-5295	6043T40G01	THE ITEMS
GG rotor	2840-01-342-9017 2840-01-295-8125	6055T20G05 6055T20G03	AND HARVEST ANOTHER -701D SET FROM A BEST OR RECAP
Air compressor seal	2840-01-128-4405	6064T98G01	AIRCRAFT.
Lubricating oil pump	2840-01-126-4129	5034T11P04	
STG1 turbine nozzle	2840-01-193-3349	5043T24G14	ALL ACTIVE DUTY UNITS CAN
Power turbine module	2840-01-245-6002	6064T98G01	TURN THEIR ITEMS BACK IN TO THE
Fuel injector assembly	2915-01-247-7136	4045T30G05	SUPPLY SYSTEM
Pressurizing manifold	2915-01-171-7785	3046T18G01	OR CONTACT THE T700 ENGINE
Primer nozzle	2915-01-093-5369	4046T78P05	FOLKS FOR DETAILS.
Pressurizing and overspeed unit	2915-01-171-7761	4076T64G01	
HMUs	2915-01-326-4224 2915-01-326-4223 2915-01-326-4225 2915-01-325-8315 2915-01-319-3953 2915-01-332-2838 2615-01-492-4556	5074T79G02 5074T79G03 5074T79G05 5074T79G07 4046T52G19 4046T52G23 4046T52G39	
Alternator stator	2925-01-340-5504	6038T46P02	
Engine history recorder	2995-01-120-8714	4046T26G03	A P
ECUs	2995-01-128-1736 2995-01-155-6595 2995-01-161-1455 2995-01-160-3913 2995-01-181-3971 2995-01-245-9830 2995-01-259-0338	4046T29G06 4046T29G07 4046T29G09 4046T29G10 4046T29G11 4046T29G12 4046T29G13	

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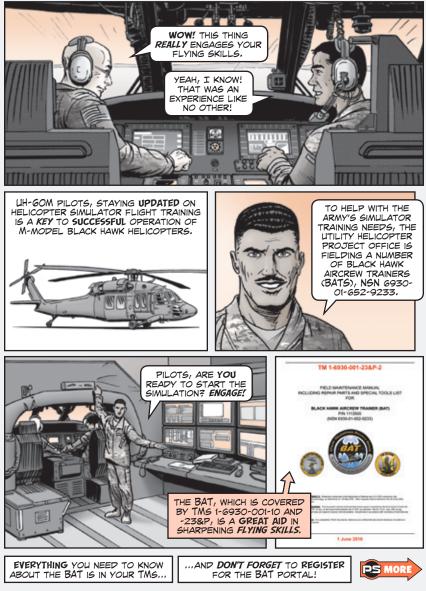
THE FOLLOWING ARE LISTS OF -700 ENGINE AND AIRFRAME PARTS NO LONGER NEEDED IF YOU ARENT OPERATING -700 ENGINES ON H-GOAS:

H-60 Series... Turn in Engine Parts for Repair



H-60M Aircraft...

New BAT Takes Simulated Flight





Setting BAT Access

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WHAT TO DO WITH TOOLS AND TEST EQUIPMENT





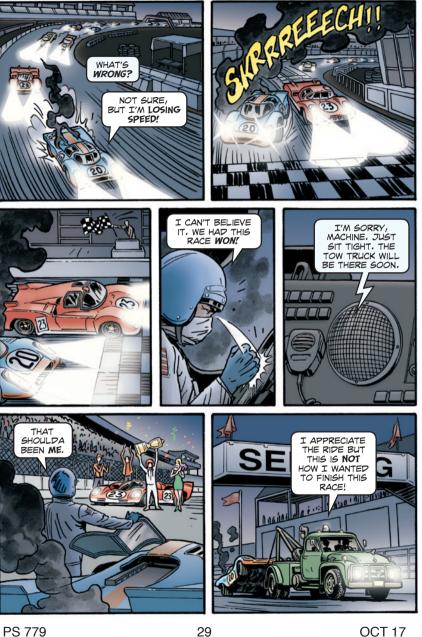
TECHANICS, THOSE T700-GE-T700 AND T700-GE-T701 ENGINES WILL EVENTUALLY NO LONGER BE USED IN THE BLACK HAWK AND APACHE FLEET. AS THEY'RE SWITCHED OUT FOR T700-GE-T701C OR T700-GE-T701D ENGINES, CERTAIN TOOLS AND TEST EQUIPMENT MAY NOT BE NEEDED ANYMORE. IF YOU HAVE THESE ITEMS IN YOUR ENGINE SHOP AND THEV'RE NO LONGER USED, **TURN THEM IN** TO THE SUPPLY SYSTEM!

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

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



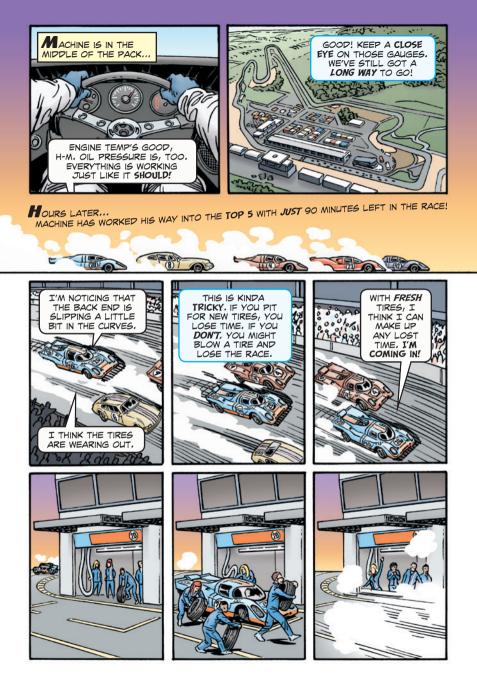












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MACHINE MOVES INTO

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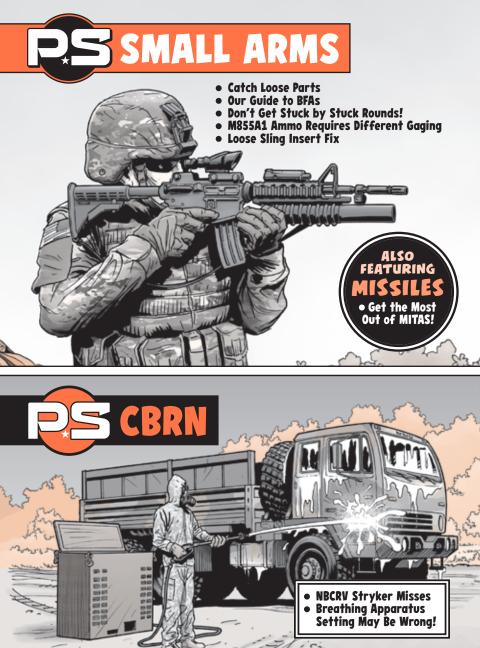
YOU'LL BE BACK IN THIS

RACE IN NO TIME!

I WENT FROM FIFTH

PLACE TO FIFTEENTH!

NOT SURE I CAN MAKE THAT UP!



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OGT 177



CATCH LOOSE PARTS

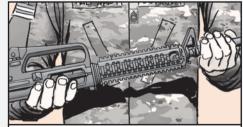
Dear Editor,

Feel pistol grip for looseness

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

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

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



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

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

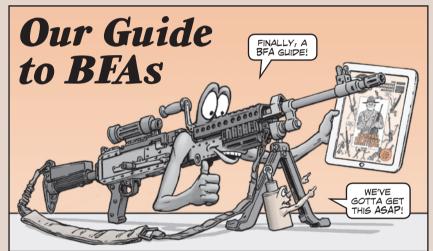
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Also check the rear sling swivel. If the swivel screw comes out, you can't use the sling. Just tighten the screw if it's backing out.

SPC Benjamin Credeur Camp Beauregard, LA



Small Arms...



Dear Editor,

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

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

James Garner JBLM, WA Gary Crippen Ft Riley, KS

Editor's note: We agree. If you would like a copy of James and Gary's BFA guide, email us at: usarmy.redstone.logsa.mbx.psmag@mail.mil

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DON'T GET STUCK BY STUCK ROUNDS!

Dear Editor,

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

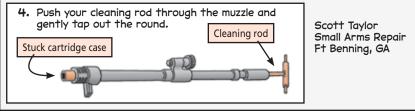
Don't hit the carrying handle to get the barrel off, either. That can break off the handle, which means having to get a new barrel.

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

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

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

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



Editor'sGunners should stick with your suggestionsnote:on stuck rounds, Scott. Thanks.

M4/M4A1 Carbine...

M855A1 Ammo Requires

M4/M4A1 CARBINES WILL FAIL THE BARREL EROSION GAGE TEST AFTER FIRING JUST A FEW THOUSAND M855AI ROUNDS. THAT'S BECAUSE THE CURRENT MARK ON THE BARREL EROSION GAGE IS SPECIFIC TO M855 AND M193 AMMO.

BUT THE MARK IS **NOT** ACCURATE FOR M855AI ROUNDS, SO FOR M45 THAT FIRE ALL OR MOSTLY M855AI ROUNDS, THE GAGING PROCEDURE IS **CHANGED**. THE REJECT MARK IS MOVED 2.3 INCHES FROM THE CURRENT REJECT MARK.

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

M4/M4A1 firing M855 & All M16A2/A3/A4 reject line M4/M4A1 firing M855A1 reject line

THE NEW MARK CORRESPONDS TO THE CENTER OF THE TAG HOLE LOCATED ON THE CURRENT BORE EROSION GAGE, NSN 5220-01-014-8183.

> M16 RIFLES WILL CONTINUE TO BE GAGED THE SAME REGARDLESS OF THE AMMO THEY FIRE.

FOR MORE INFO, SEE TACOM LCMC MAINTENANCE INFORMATION MESSAGE 17-018: https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/Maintenance/message.cfm?id=MI17-018.html



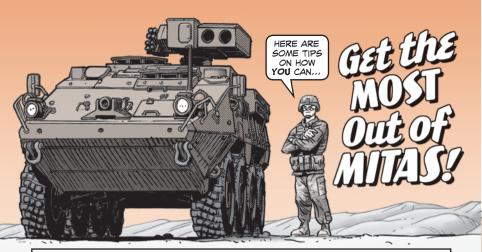
Operators need to check for loose inserts. First see if the fore end sling inserts are staked. You should see a small indent. No stake? Tell your repairman.

Grasp the fore end and buttstock and twist. If the fore end assembly twists at all, it needs to be replaced. For replacement instructions, send the weapon's serial number to the sniper team equipment specialists:

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

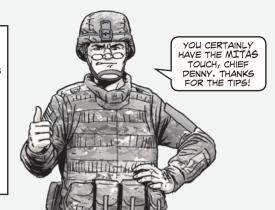


For more information, see TACOM LCMC maintenance action message MA17-021 at: https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/Maintenance/message.cfm?id=MA17-021.html



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

CW3 Michael Denny F† Bliss, TX



Dear Editor,

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

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

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

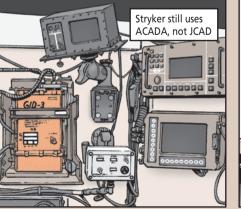
Without monthly training, operators forget simple things like first unlocking the turret. Then the turret motor burns out.



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

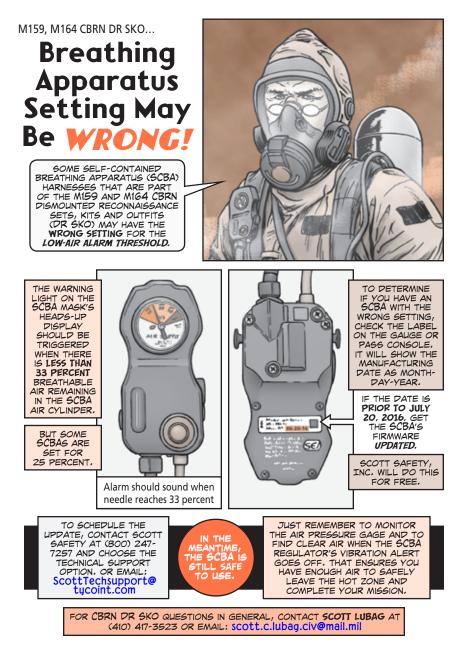
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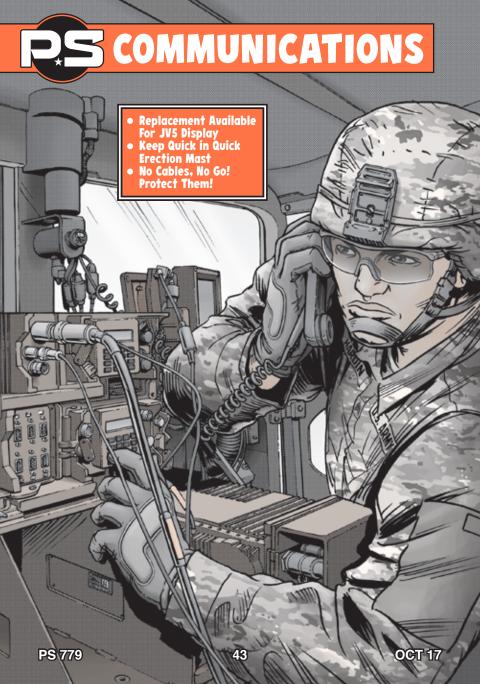
- The M1135 NBCRV Stryker still uses the ACADA, not the newer JCAD. So before you hit the road, make sure the ACADA, AN/VDR-2 and AN/UDR-13 are securely clamped in place. Otherwise, a rough bump can send them flying. That damages them and you if you're in the wrong place.
- The joint service lightweight standoff chemical agent detector (JSLSCAD) has a real cover, not a piece of foam as pictured. Order the canvas cover with NSN 5340-01-573-6846. And use it. It protects the expensive lens.

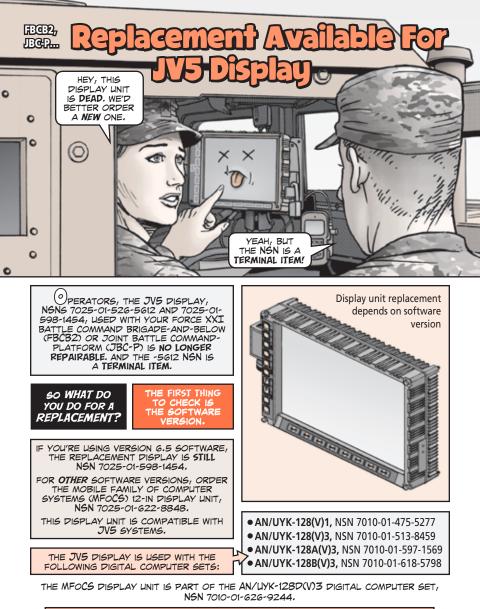




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QUESTIONS? CONTACT LARRY HALL, DSN 648-6437, (443) 395-6437, OR EMAIL: larry.l.hall10.civ@mail.mil Command Post Platform...

KEEP QUICK IN QUICK ERECTION MAST



Dear Editor,

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

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

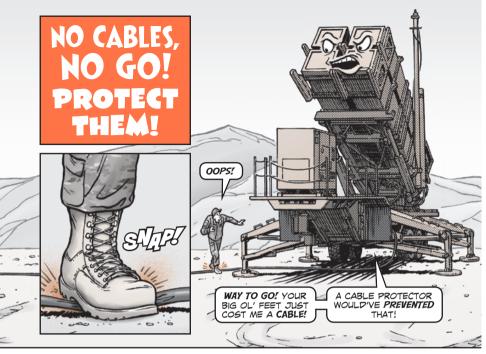
We put the quick back in quick erection by cleaning and lubing the mast. Raise one section, clean off all dirt and old lube, then relube, raise the next section and repeat. It takes 15 minutes to do all four sections. Graphite grease works best.

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

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



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



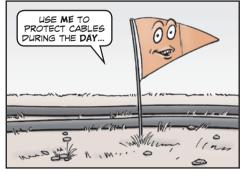
Dear Editor,

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

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

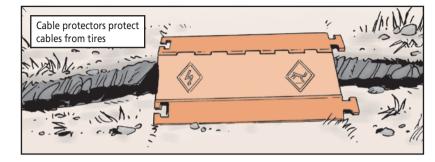
Some cables are so fragile that one step can damage them. Those cables should be buried in a shallow trench.

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





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



Here are a few	Length x Width (in inches)	NSN 5975-	Material			
to det you	10 x 2.5	01-117-0591	Aluminum			
started:	20 x 2.187	00-782-1757	Aluminum			
	23.5 x 4.14	01-197-8278	Aluminum			
	36 x 1.5	01-253-6583	Plastic	It's also important		
	36 x 20	01-469-0892	Plastic	To leave slack in		
	47.75 x 2	01-075-7825	Aluminum	cables when hooking them up. That makes		
	60 x 1.281	00-233-6234	Steel	IT less likely a cable		
	60 x 2	01-470-3560	Plastic	will be ripped out of its connector if		
	60 x 2.188	00-247-5062	Steel	someone does trip		
	60 x 16	01-559-0051	Plastic	over it.		
	96 x 2.188	00-280-3983	Steel			
WAIT A MINUTE! I'M NO SLACKER! NO CONTRACTOR OF THE SAID SLACK! NO CONTRACTOR						

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



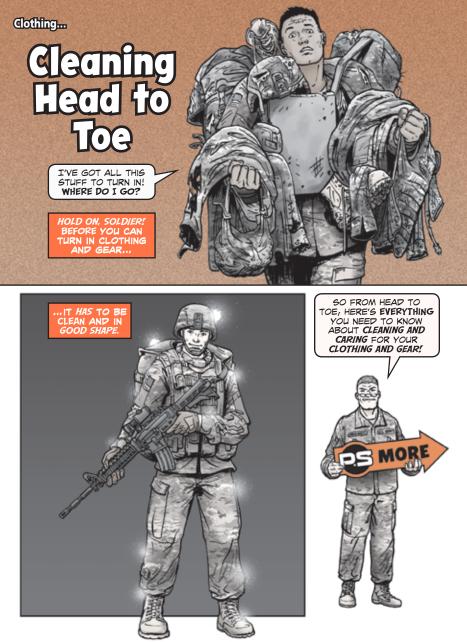


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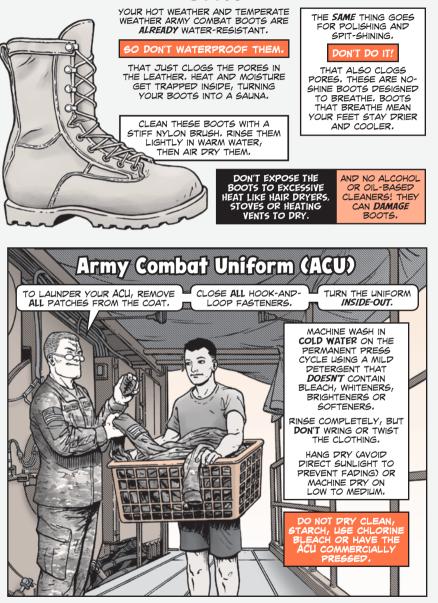


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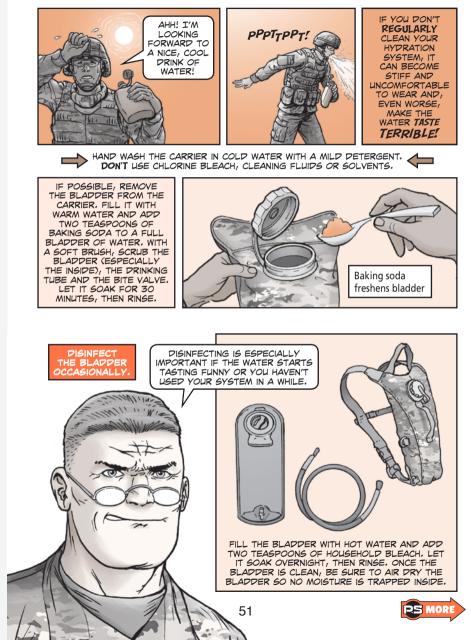


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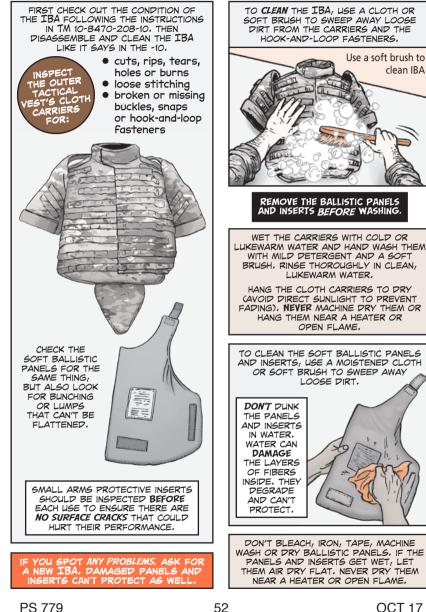
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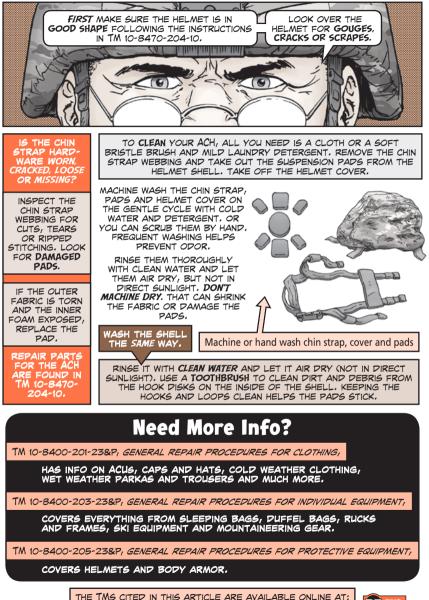
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Interceptor Body Armor (IBA)



Advanced Combat Helmet (ACH)

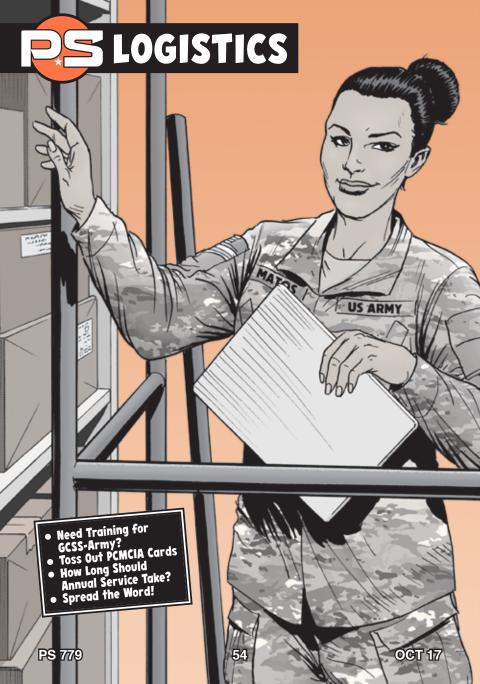


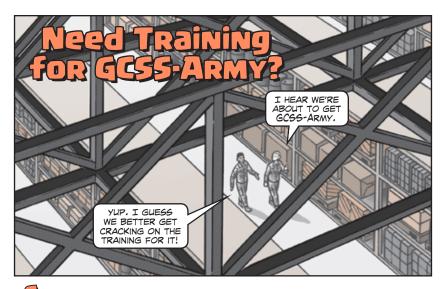
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https://liw.logsa.army.mil/etm/app/#/etm/home







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

The first task to complete is familiarization training on the GCSS-Army website:

http://gcss.army.mil/training/

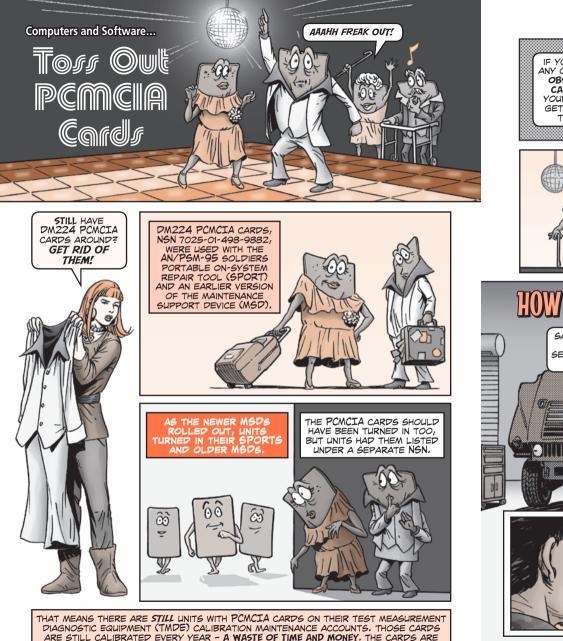


The next step is web-based Training for Record. Register at this web address: http://gcss.army.mil/GTRAC/

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

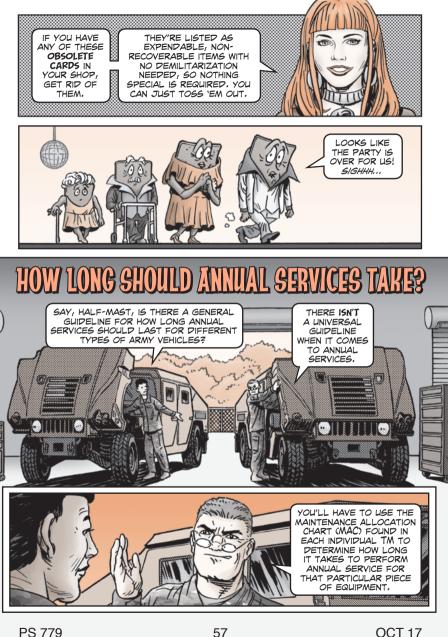
Need more information on GCSS-Army training? Watch the short, informative video, *Learning GCSS-Army the Right Way:*

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



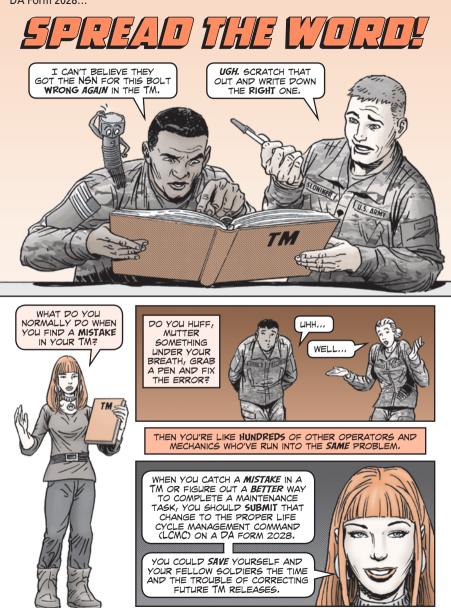
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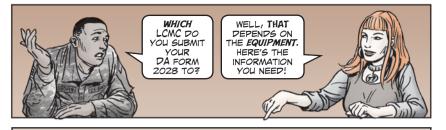
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DA Form 2028...





TACOM LCMC Online: https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/da2028/da2028.cfm Email: usarmy.detroit.tacom.mbx.ilsc-techpubs@mail.mil Fax: DSN 786-1856 or (586) 282-1856 Letter: ATTN: AMSTA-LCL-IMP/Tech Pubs MS #727 6501 E. 11 Mile Road, Warren, MI 48397-5000 Note: Send TACOM your DA Form 2028 if your corrections or suggestions include TACOM supported vehicles, armaments, CBRN and Soldier support equipment.

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Online: https://amcom2028.redstone.army.mil/Default.aspx Email: 2028@redstone.army.mil Fax: (256) 842-6546 Letter: Commander US Army Aviation and Missile Command ATTN: AMSAM-MSS-LP Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898-5000 Note: The AMCOM 2028 website requires you to use your Common Access Card (CAC). You'll need to register the first time you log on.

CECOM LCMC

Online: https://cecom.aep.army.mil/cecom/LRC/WebPage Email: usarmy.APG.cecom.mbx.amsel-lc-leo-pubs-chg@ma		
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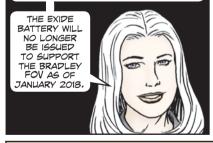
HTARS Fuel and Oil Servicing Nozzle

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

New Bradley Busk III Battery

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

THE HAWKER BATTERY IS INTERCHANGEABLE, WITHIN THE SAME BANK OF BATTERIES, WITH EXIDE'S AGM SINGLE-POST BATTERY, NSN 6140-01-582-5710. BUT DON'T MIX EXIDES WITH HAWKERS IN THE SAME BATTERY BOX. MIXING BATTERIES CAN CAUSE VOLTAGE REVERSAL.



EPLRS Packaging Caution

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

david.w.yanosik.civ@mail.mil

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

Tobyhanna Army Depot needs all your unserviceable LS-671/VRC SINCGARS radio loudspeakers, NSN 5965-01-222-1420, turned in ASAP. Send them now to: DODAAC: W25G1W W1A8 DLA DIST-TOBYANNA 11 Hap Arnold Blvd Bldg 11 Tobyhanna, PA 18466-5059 Questions? Contact Cathy Siegel, DSN 648-6295, (443) 395-6295 or email:

cathy.l.siegel2.civ@mail.mil

SCPL Update

Connie's POST SCRIPTS

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

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

M1078A1 LMTV 100-amp Alternator Pulley

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

M1078A1P2 LMTV Rear Cab Mount Cylinder

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

BATTERY BOX COATING COMPOUND

FMTV LTAS CAB DOOR SHOCK ABSORBER

Get a gallon of bituminous coating compound for your battery box with NSN 8030-00-290-5141. First use a wire brush to scrape off rust and old paint. After cleanup, protect the bare metal inside the box with a coat of the compound. Get a new shock absorber for the cab door on your FMTV LTAS with NSN 5340-01-627-6602. This replaces PN 12505335-001, which is shown as Item 34 in Fig 1041 of TM 9-2320-333-13&P in IETM EM 0294 (Jun 15).

BHL Fuel/Water Separator Filter NSN

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

M1070A1 HET Alternator NSN

Get a new alternator for your M1070A1 heavy equipment transporter (HET) with NSN 6115-01-655-9056. It replaces NSN 6115-01-555-6342, which is shown as Item 1 in Fig 54 of TM 9-2320-427-13&P (Jan 11).

M777A2s Still Use MSD·V2

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

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

Would You Stake Your Life ^{night now} on the Condition of Your Equipment?

