

Watch That Cap!

Dear Editor,

Every weapon system, no matter how strong, has an Achilles heel. For the MK 19, it's the sear housing cap. The plastic cap sits exposed on the bottom of the sear assembly.

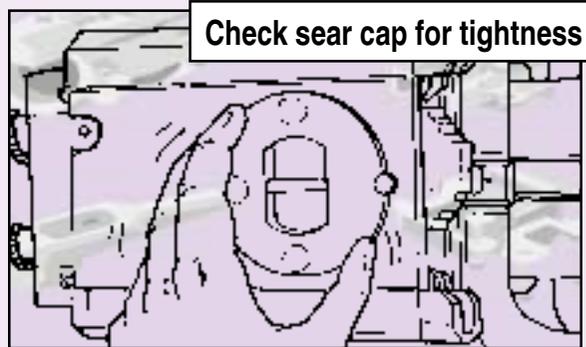
If you set the MK 19 down too hard on concrete or bang it when you're mounting or dismounting it, the cap breaks. The cap also can work loose, come off and disappear. A broken or missing cap deadlines the MK 19. We had half our unit's MK 19s deadlined just because of the cap.

Armorers can save caps by teaching their gunners 3 rules:

- & Check the tightness of the cap during the before-operations PMCS. Tighten it if necessary.
- & Protect the cap during mounting and dismounting.
- & Never set the MK 19 down on the cap.

Give yourself readiness insurance by stocking a few extra caps, NSN 1010-01-129-1237. They cost only \$4.

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**NICE GOING,
GENTLY PLEASE,
AND NOT ON MY
SEAR CAP.**

