

Cool It on MCS Use

It can get **real** hot inside your Paladin, especially in the middle of summer. That's why a lot of crewmen like to use the micro-climactic conditioning system (MCS) as their personal air conditioner.

The MCS is supposed to be used only to provide clean air to the crew's NBC masks when needed. However, some crewmen open the cap on the MCS hose and use the air to cool themselves.

While you might be more comfortable in the short run, the MCS pays the price down the road. You could pay, too.

The brushes inside the MCS' electric motor will only last so long. So using the MCS as an air conditioner reduces the motor's life and adds to the maintenance costs of your unit.

The motor might fail when you need it most, too. That wouldn't be too cool.

Don't use MCS to cool yourself



Listen Up!

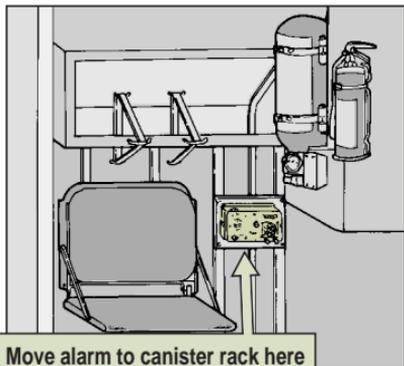
Drivers, what good is the M42 chemical agent alarm in your M992A2 ammo carrier if you can't hear it?

Unfortunately, you probably won't hear it if you're operating your carrier and using the intercom system at the same time. All that noise can drown out the NBC alarm when it sounds from its location on the crew compartment ceiling.

That's why you should move the alarm to a new location—the forward left canister rack. In that position, the alarm is much easier to hear.

Get your mechanic to move the alarm following the instructions on Pages

3-14 through 3-22 of TB 43-0001-62-8 (Jan 99). If you need a copy, see your local TACOM logistics assistance representative or write to Half-Mast.



Move alarm to canister rack here