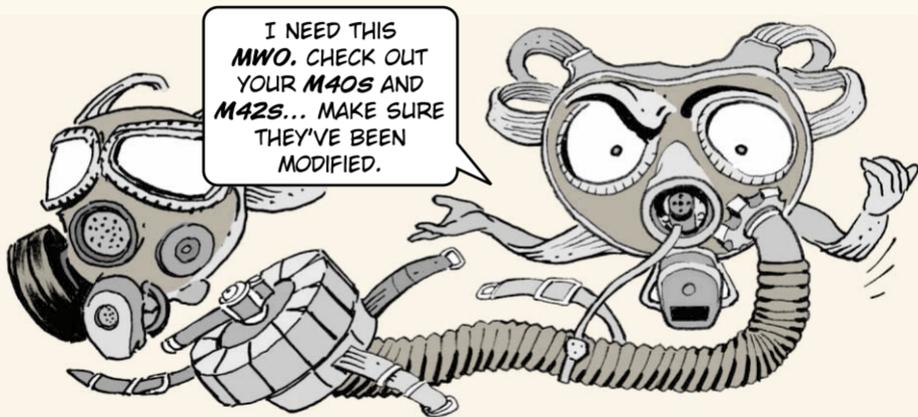


Masks Need MWO



An MWO has been kicking around the Army for a couple of years now that will keep the M40/M42 mask silicone rubber of the outlet valve housing from pulling loose further.

Unfortunately, many M40/M42s are still waiting for MWO 3-4240-347-20-1 (Jun 98). It's simple to check if your masks have been modified, NBC NCOs. Look at the outlet valve. If a zip tie has been fastened around the valve, the MWO's been done.

No zip tie? Contact your local MWO coordinator or SBCCOM logistics assistance representative. They can get you the kit you'll need to modify your masks.

The zip tie is easier to install if you pull it hand-tight before using the tensioner tool to fully tighten it.

The tie should go against the face piece behind the drink tube nipple. If it's anywhere else on the valve housing, the tie can't prevent the housing from separating from the facepiece.

When you put on the zip tie, remember to put the tab of the tie in the 6-9 o'clock position. If you try to put it in the 12-6 position, the drink tube gets in the way.

