

MLRS Carrier...

SMOKE OUT THE PROBLEM

If your MLRS is blowing smoke so bad that you could mistake it for a smoke generator, you must have some major problems, right?

Maybe not.

The problem could be as simple as a defective check valve on the cold start pump. This valve, NSN 4820-01-297-8296, is supposed to prevent fuel flow unless the COLD START switch is on.

If the check valve is bad, fuel flows all the time and your vehicle can't burn it all. Heavy smoke and a damaged cold start pump are the results.

Call in your mechanic to check it out.



Tap Your Way Out of Trouble

Crewmen, when it's time to drain or refill the roadwheel hubs on your MLRS, you may run into a little problem.

To get each hub off, you must first remove the two retaining screws. Problem is, the screws have often been painted in place with CARC.

If that's the case, those screws are almost impossible to remove. When you try, the heads of the screws get chewed up and your mechanic has to get involved.

Here's a little trick that may solve the problem:

Tap the head of each screw twice with a hammer. Lightly now—you don't want to crack the hub.

Next, put a cross-tip screwdriver on each screw and lightly tap its handle twice.



That may break loose the paint holding the screws in place and let you screw them out easily.