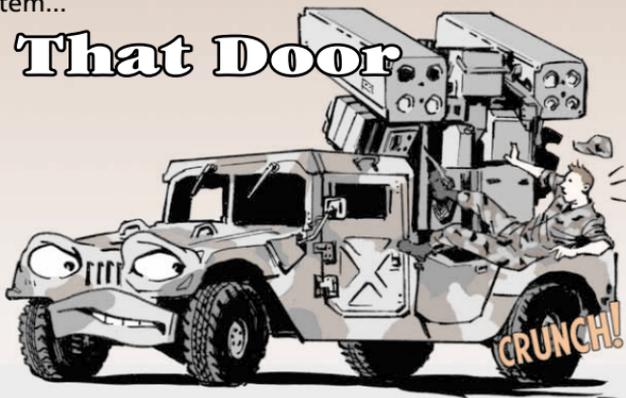


Brace That Door

I TOLD YOU THAT YOU NEEDED TO GET THAT DOOR STRENGTHENED!



Dear Editor,

Avenger crews use the two half-doors on the HMWWV for steps up and down to the Avenger and to the HMWWV roof. But the doors weren't designed to withstand that kind of weight. They crack and bow and can even send a soldier tumbling.

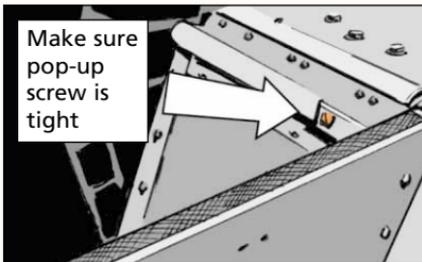
But you really can't ask crews not to use the doors as a step because there's no other good way up and down.

So we strengthened the doors by getting our support to fabricate a T-bar 32x22 inches and to rivet it to the door. The T-bar braces the door and keeps it from buckling.



But the stronger door won't do much good unless crews make sure the door's pop-up screw is tight. If the screw loosens and pops out, the door swings out and anybody stepping on it falls down. So crews must include the screw as part of their before-operation checks.

Make sure pop-up screw is tight



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You opened the door to a good solution for buckling doors. Thanks!