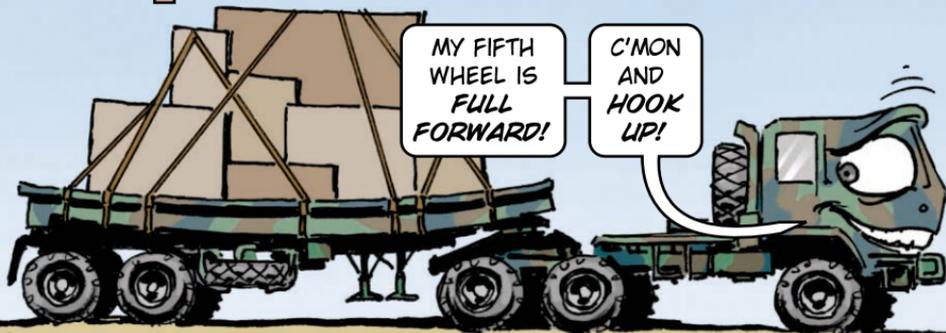


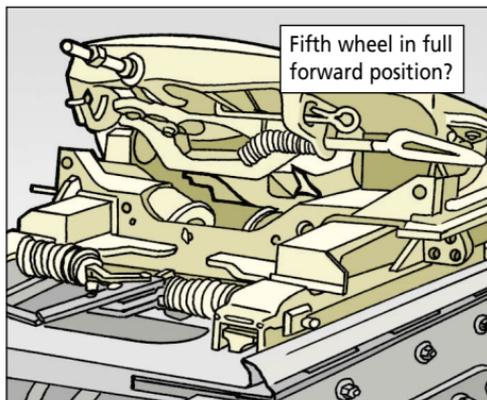
Keep Fifth Wheel Full Forward



Think you're ready to hook up your M1088 or M1088A1 FMTV tractor to a trailer? Maybe not, if you haven't checked the fifth wheel's position.

The fifth wheel must be in the full-forward—or front—position in order to hook up to a trailer or pull one. Otherwise, you're likely to bend the frame.

Use the rear position only when the tractor-trailer rig is being loaded onto a ship.



ADD THIS CAUTION TO PARA 2-39(A) OF TM 9-2320-366-10-1 UNTIL IT IS UPDATED...



Sliding fifth wheel must be in the front position before coupling M1088/M1088A1 tractor to any trailer. Failure to comply may result in damage to equipment.

Additionally, add this CAUTION about tractor-trailer operation in cross-country conditions:

Do not exceed the 22-percent grade limitation while operating the M1088/M1088A1 tractor. Failure to comply may result in damage to equipment.

In other words, don't drive over hills that will force the fifth wheel to bend or tilt in order to stay hooked to the trailer.