

Small Arms Smarts for Armorers

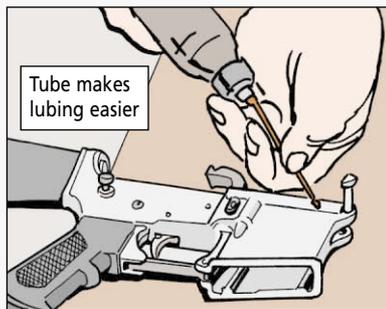
LISTEN UP GUNNERS AND ARMORERS. HERE ARE SOME GOOD WAYS TO MAKE TAKING CARE OF RIFLES AND MACHINE GUNS EASIER!



Dear Editor,

Through years of working with small arms, we've come up with a few suggestions that will help gunners and armorers:

✘ Keep the little tube that comes with the CLP bottle. Attach the tube to the bottle to reach hard-to-lube places. Keep the tube taped to the bottle when you're not using it.



Tube makes lubing easier

✘ Your support can make a front sight adjustment tool for the M16 rifle with the fabrication plans on Page E-2 in TM 9-1005-319-23&P. But we've found it's cheaper just to buy them locally at your gun shop or an Army surplus store.

Get sight adjustment tool for all riflemen



Every rifleman should have the tool. If you use something like a nail to adjust the front sight, eventually the sight will be damaged enough that it can't be adjusted.

✘ If you have trouble cleaning out carbon with CLP, use rifle bore cleaner (RBC). It's a stronger cleaner than CLP. But remember to wipe off the RBC and lube with CLP after you're through cleaning. RBC is not a lubricant.

RBC is better for tough cleaning jobs



✘ For cleaning and lubing your weapon, a 2-in paint brush works better than a rag. The brush makes it easier to clean inside places like the magazine well and the trigger assembly. The brush also spreads lube more evenly and doesn't smear it on. You can local purchase a brush or order one with NSN 8020-00-245-4522.



Use paint brush good for cleaning and lubing

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