

# Take Off the Tape

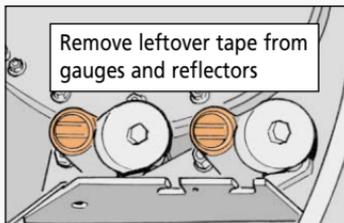
Your construction equipment came back from the paint shop and it looks great, just like a new vehicle.

You're ready to get behind the wheel and go. But before you do, walk around the vehicle and look at the areas that were covered by tape in the paint booth...especially the cylinder rods.

Any tape left on a cylinder rod will scrape or cut the rod's seals when the rod is extended or retracted. A damaged seal leads to fluid leaks, which lead to NMC equipment.

If you see any tape on the rods, take it off.

Walk around the vehicle a few more times and look for tape and paint on gauges, tail light covers, grease fittings and reflectors, too.



## AN/PSS-12 Mine Detector...

# KEEP YOUR HEAD

Dear Editor,

Our unit was having trouble with the head of the AN/PSS-12 mine detector getting broken in the field—even while it was stowed in its carrier. Once the head's broken, the detector's useless.

So we made a change that helped save our heads:

We put padding in the part of the carrier that holds the head. Bubble wrap, sponge foam, or styrofoam work fine and so does a sponge—anything that will give the head a cushion against bumps.

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*(Editor's note: Thanks. It's also a good idea to ask operators to attach the detector carrier vertically to the top of their packs so that it won't catch on trees. They should also be careful not to damage the head when they remove their packs or rest while wearing them.)*

