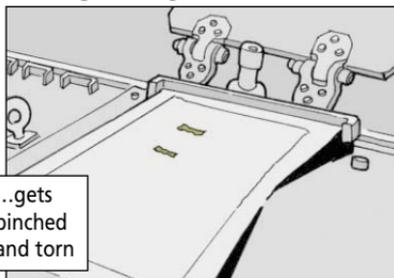
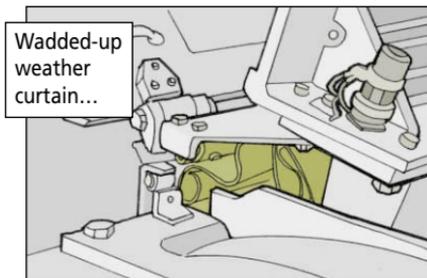


IS THE WEATHER CURTAIN HURTIN'?



Putting a brand-new weather curtain, NSN 1025-01-055-2786, on the Paladin's gun is wasted effort unless you do it the right way, mechanics.

If you get it wrong, the curtain wads up and gets pinched against the gun stop when the tube is elevated. A torn curtain has to be replaced again.



You'll find assembly instructions for the weather curtain in Para 4-18c of TM 9-2350-314-20-2-1. Pay special attention to Step 13. It says to wind the right curtain bracket, NSN 5340-01-055-2787, four turns counterclockwise before fastening it to the curtain support bracket.

Those turns put exactly the right amount of tension on the weather curtain and allow it to roll up and down like a window shade when the gun is elevated and depressed.

Dirt and rust that build up on the curtain's shaft, NSN 3040-01-144-9462, can also spell curtains for the curtain. So wipe away any dirt that collects and apply a few drops of OE/HDO-30 to the shaft's bushings. That'll keep the shaft from jamming and tearing the curtain.