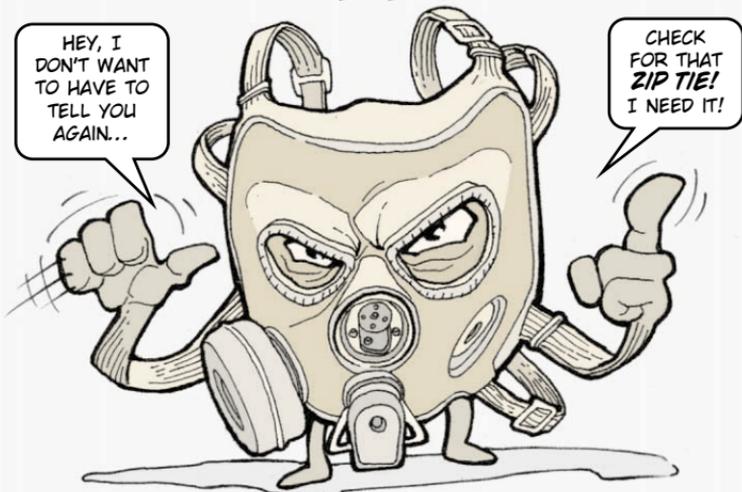


Have Your Masks Been MWOed?



A modification work order (MWO) has been around for more than 4 years that will keep your M40/M42 masks in better working order. Unfortunately, many NBC NCOs don't know about the MWO and too many masks aren't being modified.

MWO 3-4240-347-20-1 (Jun 98) prevents the silicone rubber of the outlet valve housing from pulling loose from the facepiece.

Not sure if your masks have been modified? Look at the outlet valve housing. If a zip tie has been fastened around the valve housing, the MWO has been done.

No zip tie? Contact your local MWO coordinator if you have one, or your SBCCOM logistics assistance representative. They can get you the MWO kit to modify masks.

The zip tie is easier to install if you first pull it hand-tight before using the tensioning tool to fully tighten it.

The tie should go against the face piece behind the drink tube nipple. If the tie's anywhere else, it can't do its job.

When you put on the zip tie, remember its tab should be in the 6 to 9 o'clock position. If you put it in anywhere in the 12 to 6 position, the drink tube gets in the way.

