



THE ARMY'S MAINTENANCE STANDARD

“SOMEWHERE, SOMETIME, THE SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF CRITICAL NATIONAL POLICIES WILL ONCE AGAIN REST IN THE HANDS OF A FEW GOOD, WELL-LED SOLDIERS, WHO TRAINED WELL IN TIME OF PEACE TO FIGHT WELL IN TIME OF WAR.”

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Operators, most decisions in the Army go from the top down—where you and your unit's equipment will be sent when the balloon goes up, for instance. But information on how ready that equipment is to do its job comes from the bottom up.

The person best suited to determine what state your equipment is in...is you.

Think about that the next time you pull preventive maintenance check and services (PMCS).

Correct what you can and report what you can't. Don't fudge it. If it's not ready, say so.

Your input on the inspection worksheet is your commander's eyes and ears for determining readiness. And readiness helps decide which units are ready for the important assignments.

Make sure your report tells it like it is.