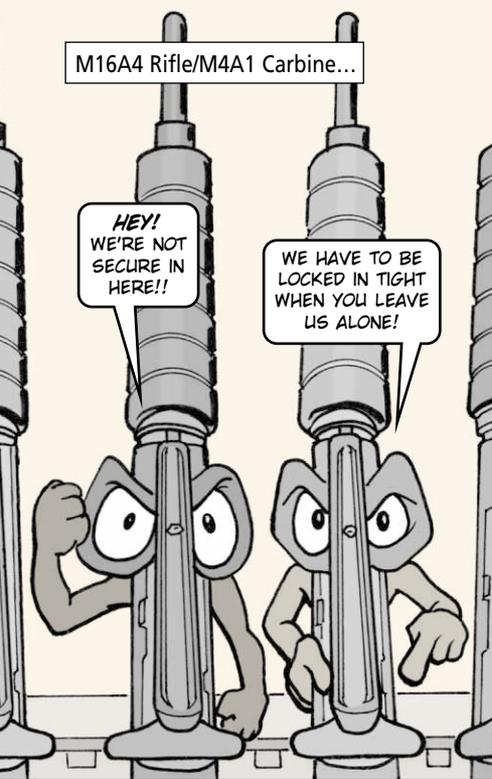


M16A4 Rifle/M4A1 Carbine...



Racking your

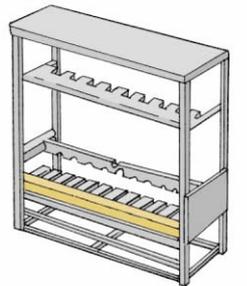
M16s and M4A1s

Some armorers are scratching their heads about how to make the M4A1 carbines and M16A4 rifles fit in the M12 rack. Well, STOP SCRATCHING. Here's what you need to know:

M4A1 Carbine

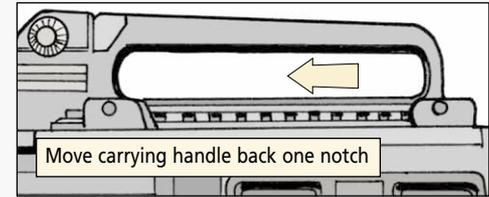
To lock M4A1s in the M12 rack, you need an adapter bar on the rear of the arms rack. Your support makes the bar following the instructions on Page 2-70 in Change 4 to TM 9-1005-319-23&P.

Adapter bar



M16A4 Rifle

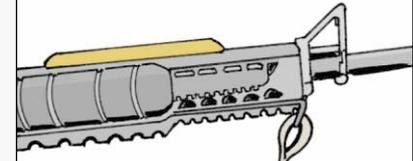
To lock the M16A4 in the M12 rack, you may need to move back the carrying handle one notch to the rear. The carrying handle must be returned to the original position for firing to maintain the zeroing.



Mounting Rail System

But if the mounting rail system is installed on the M16A4 or M4A1, more drastic action may be needed. The rack's locking bar may no longer close and a single locking bar may be needed. To get instructions for a single locking bar, contact TACOM-Rock Island's James Rollins at (309) 782-1797/DSN 793-1797 or e-mail rollinsj@ria.army.mil

Mounting rail installed? Rack locking bar may need to be installed



Any M12 racks that are fitted with the adapter bar or single locking bar must be certified as secure. Contact your local TACOM-Rock Island logistics assistance representative or James Rollins for details.

M249 Machine Gun...

DON'T GO OFF HALF-COCKED!



YOU DON'T WANT TO GO OFF HALF-COCKED IN YOUR LIFE OR WITH YOUR M249 MACHINE GUN.

REMEMBERING THIS COCKING POINT SAVES YOUR M249 THAT ONE-WAY TRIP TO THE BONEYARD.



Remember to push the cocking handle forward until it clicks in place after you lock back the bolt. If you forget, the handle is left flapping. During firing, the handle bangs against the cocking handle assembly stop and wears out the receiver rails and handle over time. Worn-out rails are not fixable. Your M249 is on a one-way trip to the boneyard.

Push cocking handle forward until it locks

