

M16-Series Rifle, M4/M4A1 Carbine...

LIGHT SPOTS CARBON

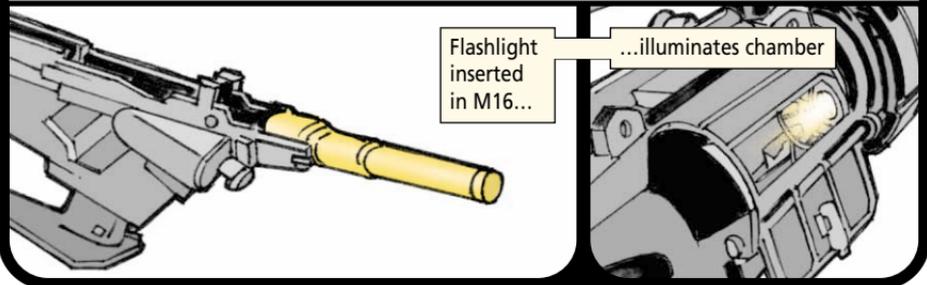
Dear Editor,

When you clean the "star chamber" in your M16-series rifle or M4/M4A1 carbine, it's difficult to see into the chamber to make sure you've gotten all the carbon.

I found the mini mag light does a good job lighting up the inside of the star chamber. Just insert it where

the charging handle fits in the receiver and put the light on its brightest setting. Then you can easily see any carbon you've missed.

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M249 Machine Gun...

Slide Assembly DS Job

Dear MSG Half-Mast,

I'm confused. Change 7 to TM 9-1005-201-23&P lists on Page C-6-1 all the parts of the M249 machine gun slide assembly as PAFZZ (direct support). But the procedure for disassembling and assembling the slide assembly is in Para 12-12, which is unit-level maintenance. How can that be?
M.H.

Dear M.H.,

Oops! You caught a mistake in the TM. Para 12-12 should have been moved to Chapter 3, the chapter for direct support. DS is now responsible for taking apart and putting back together the slide assembly. Make a note in your copy of the TM until the next change comes out.

Half-Mast

Slide assembly
now a DS job

