

# Spring Height Check



Dear MSG Half-Mast,

Is there a torque requirement for the front fuel tank springs on the M978 HEMTT fuel tanker? These springs hold the fuel tank to the vehicle's frame.

SGT T.M.

Dear SGT T.M.,

*There is no torque requirement for the front fuel tank springs.*

*However, take a look at Page 2-46 of Change 2 in TM 9-2320-279-20-1 (Apr 93).*

*It has the lowdown on a height check for the springs.*

*But before you check the spring's height, tap the bottom of the spring bolt to make sure it's seated properly.*

*The height of the top portion of the spring should be between 3 1/2 to 3 3/4 inches. The bottom portion should measure no less than 3 1/2 inches. Also, make sure the spring's rubber mount measures at least 3/4 inch.*

*Have your mechanic replace a wornout spring. Never try to shim a short spring with washers.*

*Half-Mast*

