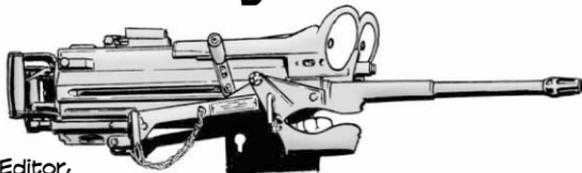


Small Arms...

## Confused by MK 19 and M2 TMs?



LET'S  
CLEAR UP  
THIS TM  
CONFUSION!

Dear Editor,

I've found a couple of items in the -23&P TMs for the MK 19 and M2 machine guns that need to be straightened out:

- On Page WP 0050-002 in the MK 19's TM 9-1010-230-23&P it says the armorer should remove the feed pawls, flat spring, headless pins and spring housing. But the SMR codes say that only direct support is authorized to disassemble those items.

- On Page WP 0010 00-18 of the M2's TM 9-1005-213-23&P, Step 9 in the Quarterly PMCS tells the armorer to completely disassemble the buffer tube and backplate assembly. But these are also DS tasks according to the SMR codes.

What's right?

Michael Harvey,  
Vilseck,  
Germany

*(Editor's note: Both the WP pages and SMR codes are correct. The armorer is allowed to disassemble these items to inspect, clean, and lubricate them. But if any of these items need to be repaired or replaced that's the responsibility of direct support. The SMR codes refer only to repair or replacement of an item, not inspections, cleaning, or lubing. Hope this clears things up.)*

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

HOW  
DO  
YOU  
Get  
BUIS  
=?

Dear Half-Mast,

We've received the M68 optical sight for our M16A4s and M4/M4A1s, so now we need back-up iron sights (BUIS). But we can't find any info on ordering them. Do you know?

SSG S.D.

SURE DO,  
SERGEANT S.D.  
YOU CAN ORDER THE  
BUIS WITH NSN  
1005-01-484-8000.

THE BUIS AND  
ITS REPAIR PARTS  
ARE BEING  
ADDED TO TM  
9-1005-319-  
23&P.

UNFORTUNATELY,  
THE SIGHT IS  
IN **SHORT**  
SUPPLY AND IT  
MAY TAKE SOME  
TIME FOR YOU  
TO RECEIVE IT.

