

# BUCKET PM AGAIN

DON'T FORGET  
YOUR BUCKET  
PM... OR I'LL  
SUFFER THE  
CONSEQUENCES!



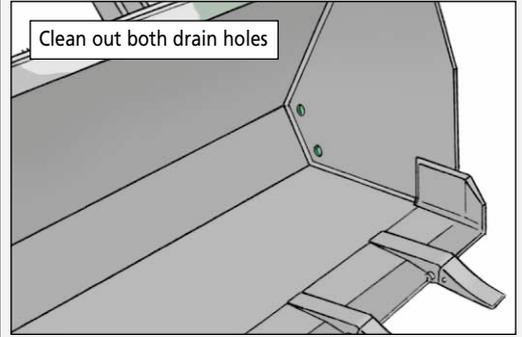
Operators, you can save wear and tear on your excavator's bucket and its hydraulic system by following these parking and traveling rules.

### Rest the Bucket

When you park your excavator, lower the bucket flat on the ground.

Resting the bucket takes the weight off the lift cylinders.

Be sure the bucket's drain holes aren't clogged, too. Plugged holes keep water from draining out. Water that sits in the bucket causes rust.



MAKE SURE YOU  
INSTALL THE LOADER'S  
TRAVEL LOCKS *BEFORE*  
DRIVING THE VEHICLE ON  
THE ROAD.



### Travel Locks Reminder

The locks hold the bucket in place about a foot above the ground. That way the bucket's weight won't ride on the hydraulic cylinders—which can blow seals or hydraulic lines. Also, close the front loader shutoff valves. When the valves are closed, the bucket won't hit the ground or catch a pothole—a real dangerous situation.

The locks also keep the bucket teeth pointed up and out of the way of ground obstacles.

Pages 2-86 through 2-88 of the TM 5-2420-224-10 tell you how to open and close the shutoff valves, and how to install and remove the travel lock's spring clips.

