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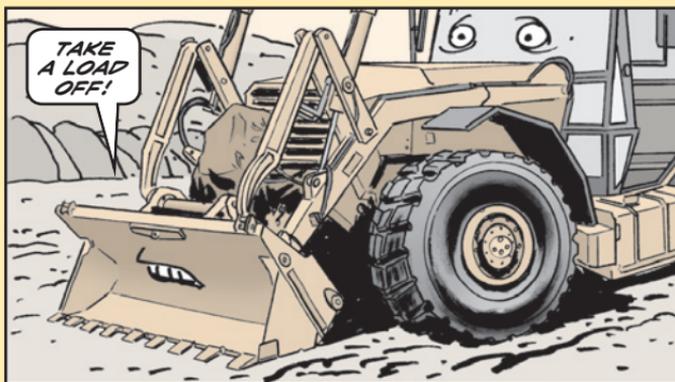
Bucket PM Again

OPERATORS, HERE ARE A FEW MORE
BUCKET PM TIPS TO KEEP YOUR INTERIM
HIGH MOBILITY ENGINEER EXCAVATOR
MISSION-READY AT THE WORK SITE.

Rest the Bucket

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

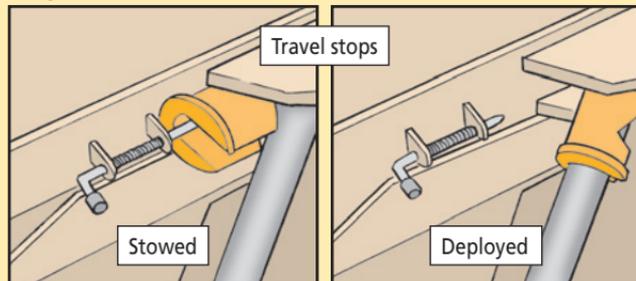
Resting the bucket takes the weight off the lift cylinders and keeps water from pooling in the bucket.



Travel Stop Reminder

Make sure you install the excavator's travel stops (stowed position) before driving a long distance.

The stops hold the front-end loader bucket 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, the bucket won't hit the ground or dig into a ridge—a real dangerous situation.



The stops keep the bucket teeth pointed up and out of the way of obstacles. Page 6-2 of TM 5-2420-230-10 tells you how to install the stops in the stowed or deployed positions.