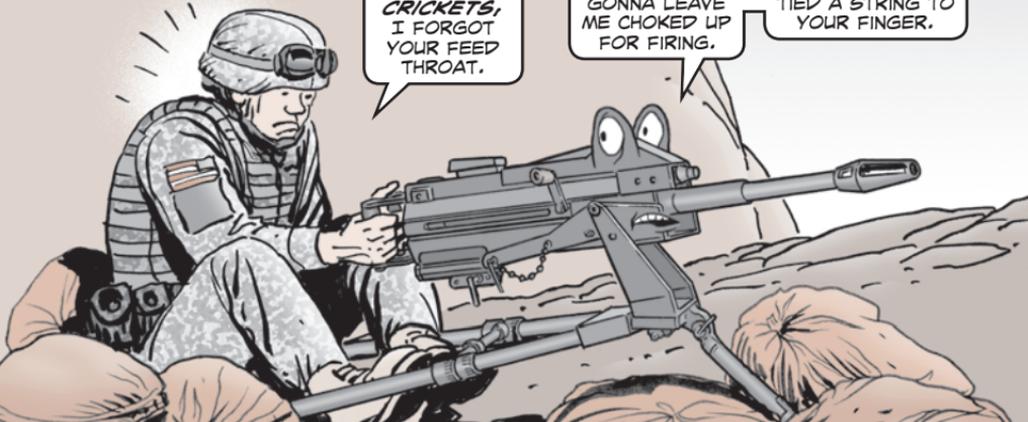


Don't Forget Feed Throat, BII

JIMINY CRICKETS, I FORGOT YOUR FEED THROAT.

THAT'S GONNA LEAVE ME CHOKED UP FOR FIRING.

YA SHOULD'A TIED A STRING TO YOUR FINGER.



Dear Editor,

As a TACOM logistics assistance representative, I often assist units on the firing range. Time and again I find that some of the soldiers have forgotten the feed throat for their MK19s.

It's easy to forget the feed throat because it's usually stored separately in the arms room. But without the feed throat, your MK19 will have firing stoppages. So *before* units go to the field, they should make sure they have the feed throat and that it's in good shape.

Don't forget feed throat!



A check for the feed throat is being added to the PMCS in the MK19's TM 9-1010-230-10. The MK19 is NMC without a working feed throat. MK19 gunners also often forget to take basic issue items (BII) like the round removal tool, bore obstruction detector, and LSAT or GMD. That means if their weapons jam or need lubrication they're up the creek. They should make sure they have all three before they leave the arms room.

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Editor's note: Good tips. Don't choke on firing, gunners, because you forgot the feed throat or other BII.