

# ORDERING PARTS USING PART NUMBERS



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...IS THAT AN OIL FILTER CAP OR SCREW YOU WANT?

ORDERING BY PART NUMBER REQUIRES EXTRA CARE.

HERE ARE SOME WAYS TO HELP...



Ordering parts isn't always easy. Sometimes a TM doesn't use an NSN and you get a part number instead. The trouble is making sure the part number actually leads to the part you want.

For instance, you have a 5-KW tactical quiet generator. In TM 9-2815-252-24P you want Item 8 of Figure 7, the oil filler cap. The figure gives you a part number of 186-6023.

SO YOU GO TO FED LOG INTERACTIVE AND ENTER 186-6023 AS YOUR PART NUMBER.

HERE'S WHAT YOU GET...

- PN 1-86602-3, NSN 5305-01-235-2944, CAGE 00779, screw
- PN 186-6023, NSN 2930-01-528-1963, CAGE 44940, cap, filler opening

IF YOU AREN'T PAYING ATTENTION, YOU'LL WIND UP ORDERING THE SCREW INSTEAD OF THE CAP YOU REALLY NEED.

HERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS TO LOOK FOR...

- Pay attention to how the PN is displayed. FED LOG may list any PN that has all the letters and numbers in the right order, even if they are hyphenated differently.
- Look at the **Item Name**. Is it even close to what you need? There could be a big difference between items, as in the example above—a screw and a cap, filler opening.
- Look at the management view options available for each PN listed. If the **FLIS Management** view isn't available and the **FLIS History** view is your only choice (PN 1-86602-3), then the item is obsolete and is probably not what you're looking for.
- If the PN and item name seem to match, click on the **FLIS Management** icon and you'll find which government agencies/DOD services use the part. You'll also get the source of supply, the acquisition advice code and cost among other data. Click on **Characteristics** to ensure it meets your needs.
- If the item isn't listed as an Army part, you'll have to order the part on a DD Form 1348-6 and include in the REMARKS block "NSN not on the AMDF."
- Finally, on the 1348-6, be sure that you include the PN as shown in the TM (and verified on FED LOG), **as well as** the CAGE Code. The CAGE code identifies the manufacturer, just as the PN identifies the actual part. A PN without a CAGE code is useless. Both are needed to ensure you get the right part.