

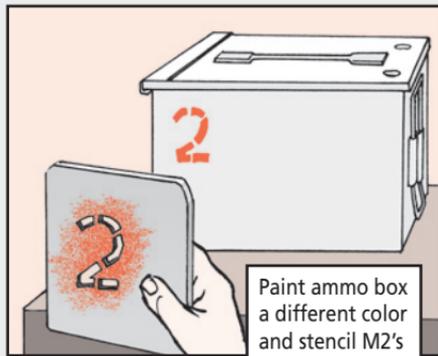
TURN AMMO BOX INTO STORAGE BOX



Dear Editor,

The M2 machine gun has lots of tools and other stuff that it needs in the field. It's easy for the items to go missing, which can be serious in the case of something like a timing gauge.

We've managed to stop losing so many M2 items by turning an old ammo box into a storage box. We paint the box a different color than a normal ammo box so it won't be mistaken for one. Then we stencil the M2's ID number on the box.



Here's what we keep in the box:

- *headspace and timing gauges*
- *ruptured cartridge extractor*
- *operator's TM*
- *cleaning kit*
- *barrel change mitt*
- *range card*
- *a list of what's kept in the box*

We check the list before we go to the field to make sure everything's in the box. Then we make sure the box goes with the M2.

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Editor's note: A good, cheap way to keep your M2 tools and accessories where you can find them! Thanks for the suggestion.