



Supply Requires Discipline

KEEPING A UNIT SUPPLIED REQUIRES MORE THAN DREAMS OR INTENTIONS...

...IT ALSO REQUIRES THE ATTENTION OF EVERYONE, NOT JUST THE SUPPLY SERGEANT!



No, we aren't talking about punishment. We are talking about really believing in and practicing fundamental supply procedures.

If your unit wants rations, ammo, fuel, water—any of a number of things it needs to complete its operational mission—it must practice supply discipline.

It's human nature to pay attention to the operational side of a unit—after all that's where the action is, that's where missions are completed. That's where the outward signs of success occur. But operational success will not be continuous if supplies don't keep pace with operations.

One command sergeant major put it this way: "...failure can be attributed to one of three causes: lack of training, lack of resources, or lack of motivation."

He also said that when training, resources and motivation are properly combined they can produce delicious success.

Remember that the condition of your equipment and the state of your supply discipline depend on your attention.

Can you stake the life of your unit, and the life of your buddy's unit, right now, on your supply discipline?

COMMANDERS AND LEADERS AT ALL LEVELS MUST NOT GIVE IN TO THE TENDENCY TO PUSH SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE MATTERS TO THE SIDE.

WITHOUT COMMAND EMPHASIS, SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE WITHER FROM LACK OF RESOURCES AND MOTIVATION.

