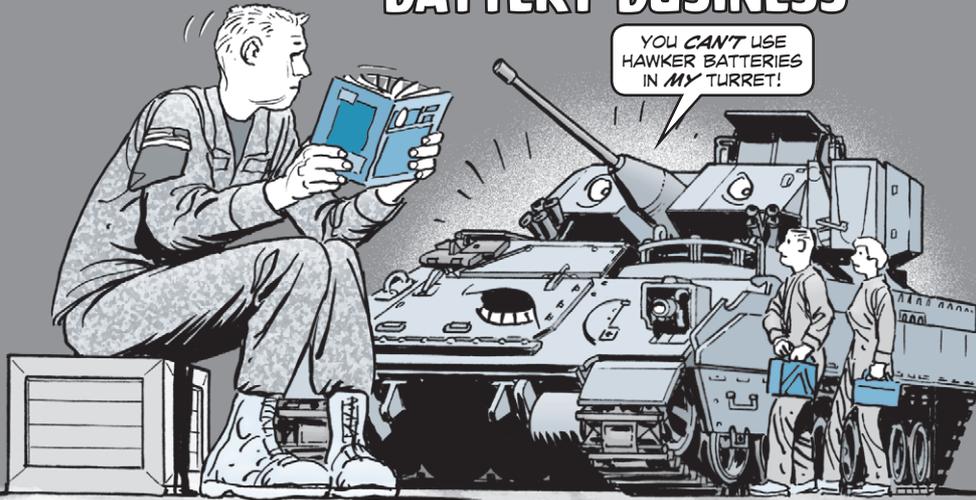


# MORE HAWKER BATTERY BUSINESS



YOU CAN'T USE HAWKER BATTERIES IN MY TURRET!

Dear Editor,

You ran a great article on using the Hawker battery in PS 664 (Mar 08). But there are three points you might want to clarify:

1. There is ONE exception to the prohibition on "mixing Hawker and other battery types on the same vehicle" mentioned on the top of page 11. There isn't a Hawker battery for the Bradley turret!

Because the systems are electrically separated, you may safely use four Hawkers under the driver's seat, while using the standard pair of "little" batteries in the turret. I am unaware of any other safe exceptions to the "all or none" rule.

2. If you are replacing 6TMFs with Hawkers because of battery problems, make sure the problem is not elsewhere in the electrical system. Hawkers will not fix bad wiring.

And if only one battery of a set is bad, make sure the batteries with remaining life go back to your battery shop to be mated with batteries of similar characteristics for non-critical applications.

3. TB 9-6140-252-13 is THE Hawker technical information source. If there is a conflict between the TB and TM 9-6140-200-14 related to the Hawker battery, the TB guidance is what you should follow.

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*Editor's note: Readers, keep in mind what just told us. And thanks for that update, Sir.*

# Tire Mounting Tips



THESE TIRES NEED TO BE UNWRAPPED AND STORED ON A RACK!



BY FOLLOWING THESE TIPS, YOU CAN TAKE THE HASSLE OUT OF MOUNTING TIRES, ESPECIALLY ON HMMWVs.

FOR EXAMPLE, THESE TIPS WILL MAKE INSTALLING A RUNFLAT SPACER MUCH EASIER FOR HMMWV MAINTAINERS.

- Remove tires from the manufacturer's wrapping as soon as you can after they get to the motor pool. That way they loosen up a little before you work with them.
- Tires that sit in cold weather should come indoors at least 24 hours before they're mounted. Cold weather contracts and stiffens rubber.
- Store tires on their treads. That widens the gap between the beads and makes mounting easier.



STORE US ON OUR TREADS AND LET US WARM UP BEFORE MOUNTING!