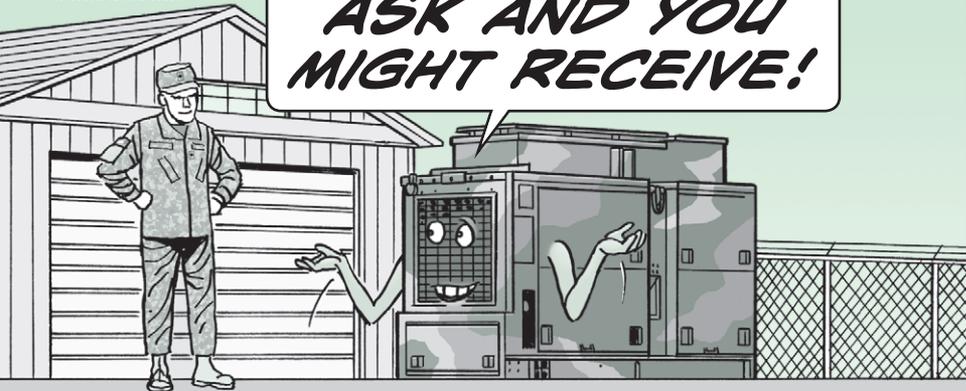


ASK AND YOU MIGHT RECEIVE!

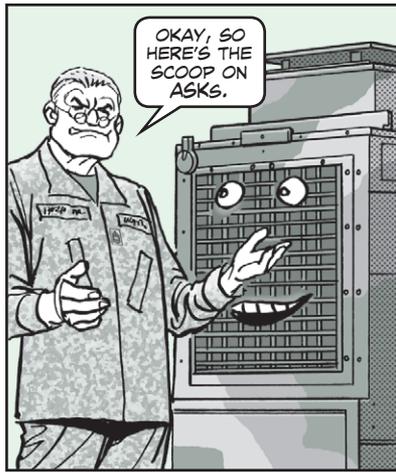


Dear Half-Mast,
We're looking for some replacement parts for the acoustic suppression kits (ASKs) on our small Mil-Std generators. Are any parts still available?

MSG J. G.

Dear Master Sergeant J. G.,
We went to the expert on ASKs for this answer. He's . Write down his phone number, DSN 992-1390 or (732) 532-1390, and his email:

[@us.army.mil](mailto:us.army.mil)



ASKs were bought in the 1980s as an interim fix for a field requirement to quiet existing generator sets. ASKs were used on 3-, 5-, 10-, 15- and 30-KWs. At the time, very few spare parts were planned for the ASKs because the Army expected the kits to outlast the generators.

In 1993, the first tactical quiet generators (TQGs) hit the field and were meant to replace Mil-Std generators.

So, with the Mil-Std generators now all worn out or replaced by TQGs, there should be no call for ASK parts.

Right?

Wrong!

SO WHAT NOW?

HERE ARE THE OPTIONS BY THE NUMBERS...



1. If you have a 5- or 10-KW you may still be able to get a complete ASK. Get in touch with to find out.
2. If you have a 3-, 15-, or 30-KW, there are no more complete ASKs, but there may be some parts available. Get in touch with to find out.
3. You can remove the ASKs on the 3-, 5-, and 10-KWs and the generators will still run—just louder! (Wear that hearing protection!)
4. You can remove the ASKs on the 15- and 30-KWs, but you must replace the exterior panels. They were removed on these generators when the ASKs were installed. New panels can be fabricated. has the drawings and the installation info.
5. Finally, Mil-Std generators will be gone shortly, we think! So, make sure your repair effort is proportional to the expected short life of the generator.

Half-Mast

REPAIRING AN ASK? **USE COMMON SENSE!** KEEP THE PAINT IN SHAPE. MAINTAIN THE AIR SEAL OF THE PANELS. KEEP AIRFLOW SO YOUR GENERATOR STAYS COOL.

EXTERIOR PANELS ON THE 15- AND 30-KWs ARE A **MUST**. GENERATOR COMPONENTS WILL OVERHEAT WITHOUT THE PANELS DIRECTING AIRFLOW.

SOME PANELS MAY BE REPAIRED BY RIVETING OR WELDING NEW SHEET METAL OVER RUST HOLES.

STANDARD HARDWARE SHOULD DO THE JOB FOR MOST OF THE SCREWS, WASHERS AND NUTS.

THE MEP-701 IS JUST AN MEP-01GB WITH AN ASK. THE ASK GETS IN THE WAY WHEN THE OLD ENGINE IS REPLACED WITH THE YANMAR. TAKE THE ASK OFF AND CONVERT BACK TO THE MEP-01GB.

