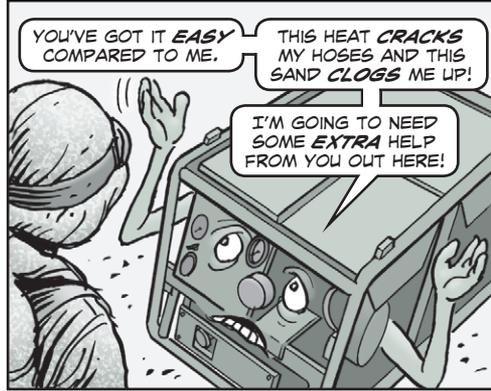


# Decon Help in the Desert



GEE, IT SURE IS HOT OUT HERE!

THIS DESERT CLIMATE IS HARD ON ME.



YOU'VE GOT IT EASY COMPARED TO ME.

THIS HEAT CRACKS MY HOSES AND THIS SAND CLOGS ME UP!

I'M GOING TO NEED SOME EXTRA HELP FROM YOU OUT HERE!



DECONNING IN THE FIERCE HEAT AND BLOWING DESERT SAND IS MUCH HARDER ON YOUR M17 DECON THAN REGULAR OPERATIONS.

THE HEAT AND SAND CAN KNOCK IT FLAT.

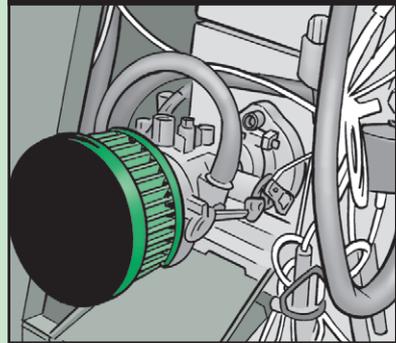
TRY THESE DESERT TIPS TO KEEP YOUR M17 ON ITS FEET...

- Inspect the rubber hoses, water tank, and other rubber components weekly for wear, soft spots, and cracks.



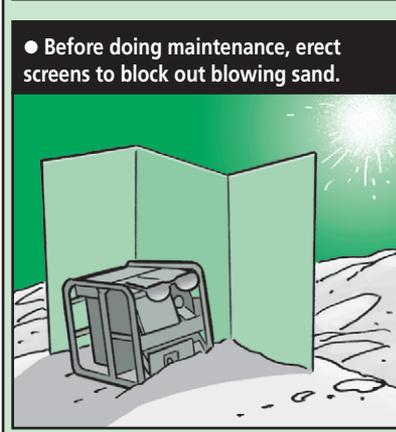
- Order extra rubber hoses, gaskets, seals, and air filters. Also order extra grease and oil. You'll need them in the desert.

- Get the new K&N air filter, NSN 2940-01-529-8953. It does a better job of filtering out fine sand. The cleaning kit for the filter comes with NSN 5895-01-512-0412.



- Keep lube off exposed parts. Lube attracts sand, which makes it harder for moving parts to move.

- To keep sand out of the M17's insides, order a quick-disconnect cap, NSN 4730-00-485-5055, for the water inlet, and a quick-disconnect cap, NSN 4730-00-929-0791, for the water outlet.

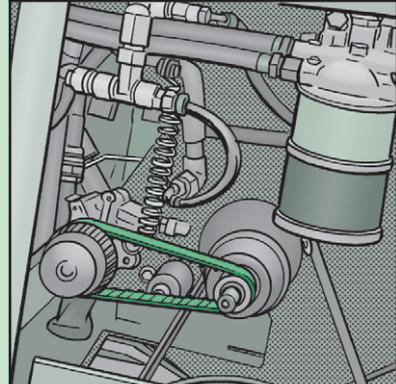


- Before doing maintenance, erect screens to block out blowing sand.



- Keep your M17 shielded from the direct sun during operations by moving it into the shade if possible.

- Check the drive belt for looseness frequently during deconning. Tighten it if necessary.



- During fueling, use a cloth to cover the gap between the fuel nozzle and the fuel tank filler neck opening. That keeps sand out of the tank.

- Carefully follow the proper engine cool down and shutdown procedures. Otherwise, you risk ruining the heater coil.



HEY, DON'T JUST TURN ME OFF.

I'M HOT, REAL HOT!

I NEED TO COOL DOWN.