



STORING FUEL CANS!

Dear Half-Mast,

What's the correct way to store empty JP-8 fuel cans when they're not mounted on vehicles?

MSG D.S.

Dear Master Sergeant D.S.,

If the fuel cans are **empty** and have **never** had any fuel in them, store the cans the same way you would store any other plastic container: in a shed, MILVAN or similar place.

But if the cans have held fuel in the past, they may still contain some fuel and fumes—even though they look empty. In that case, take the caps off the cans. Drain out any leftover fuel into approved containers. Store the open cans in a well-ventilated area away from heat or flames. Give them a few days to air out and let the fumes scatter. Then cap the cans to keep out dirt, bugs and water. Now you can store the fuel cans as if they had never had any fuel in them.

Half-Mast

