

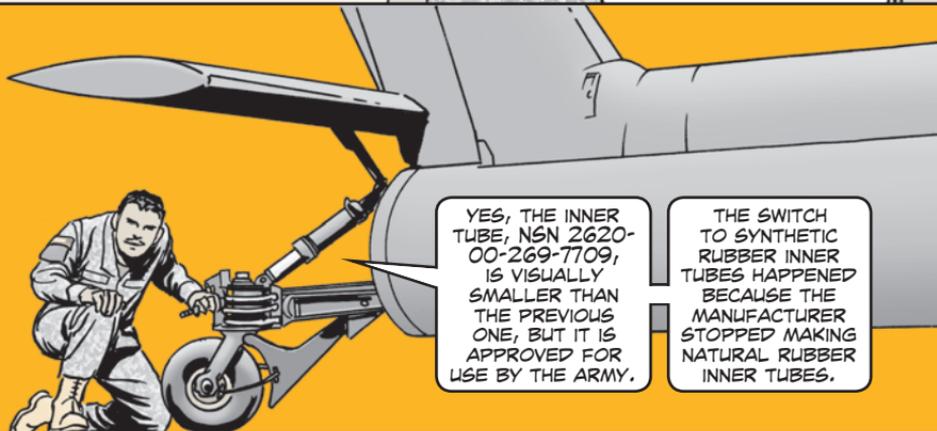
AH-64A/D...

AS THE TIRE
TURNS



MECHANICS,
ARE YOU
WORRIED
ABOUT
USING THOSE
SMALLER
INNER TUBES
YOU'VE BEEN
RECEIVING...

...THE
ONES
FOR YOUR
AH-64
TAIL
WHEEL
TIRE?

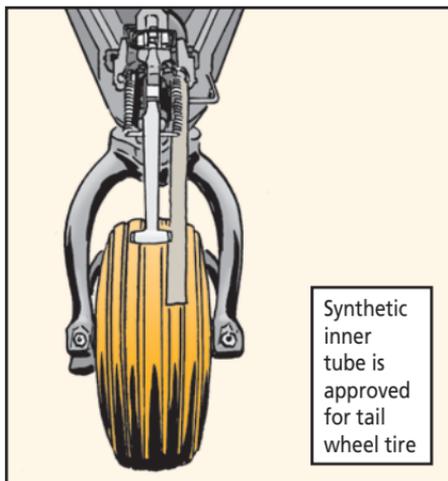


YES, THE INNER
TUBE, NSN 2620-
00-269-7709,
IS VISUALLY
SMALLER THAN
THE PREVIOUS
ONE, BUT IT IS
APPROVED FOR
USE BY THE ARMY.

THE SWITCH
TO SYNTHETIC
RUBBER INNER
TUBES HAPPENED
BECAUSE THE
MANUFACTURER
STOPPED MAKING
NATURAL RUBBER
INNER TUBES.

The change to synthetic rubber also has the benefit of maintaining air pressure. The manufacturer says the butyl rubber tubes hold air 10 times better than natural rubber. Reports from the field said that the natural rubber tube would lose as much as one percent a day. The new, synthetic rubber inner tube should lose air slowly, as little as one percent a month. That's a big difference for your bird's tail wheel tire.

The AMCOM head shed says go ahead and install the new tubes. They meet all the Army's requirements and specifications.



Synthetic
inner
tube is
approved
for tail
wheel tire