

HANDLE TROOP SEATS CORRECTLY

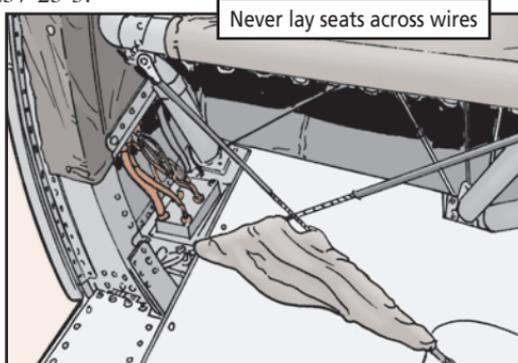


Mechanics, rear troop seats take a beating, so how you take care of them is important.

For instance, when you want to access the transition area of your Black Hawk, there's only one right way.

Disconnecting the top latches of the aft outboard troop seats and dropping them onto the cabin floor is **not** the right way. The right way is to remove the seats like it says in WP 0233 of TM 1-1520-237-23-5.

When the outboard seats are on the cabin floor, the aluminum seat tubes rest on wires that run to the AN/ASN-43 gyro magnetic compass, the communication coxials, and the AN/APR-39 radar signal detecting set. Then when you step on the seats to access the transition area, your weight will crush the seat tube and damage the wires.



Broken wires mean you won't be computing headings or picking up signals from search radar. Plus you'll have a seat repair bill from stepping on seats. So, keep your feet off the seats. They are not steps.