

M16-Series Rifle, M4/M4A1 Carbine...

STOP SLING-SWIVEL INTERFERENCE

HERE'S HOW TO
INSTALL THE SLING
SWIVEL MOUNT SO IT
DOESN'T INTERFERE
WITH THE RAIL
COVERS.



Dear Half-Mast,

The side sling mount for the M16-series rifle and M4/M4A1 carbine interferes with the installation and removal of the rail covers. Has the Army addressed this problem?

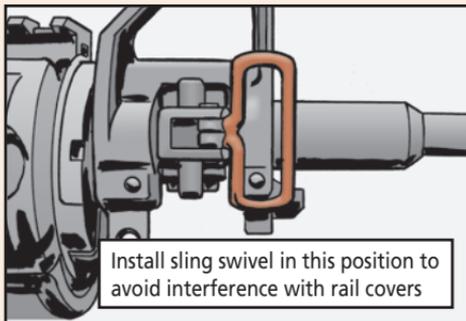
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Dear Sergeant Major T.F.,

Yes they have. The newest edition of TM 9-1005-319-23&P (Nov 08) says in a note on WP 0016-8:

It is recommended that the swivel mount be placed on the left side of the carbine for right-handed operators and on the right side for left-handed operators. This will keep the sling out of the way when the carbine is used.

In addition, it shall be oriented so the integral stop, normally positioned towards the muzzle, is to the rear. This change in orientation allows the swivel to fold flat towards the muzzle so the side sling adapter does not interfere with the installation of the rail covers, the forward handgrip, or other accessories that require installation from the end of the rail.



Install sling swivel in this position to avoid interference with rail covers

This applies to all M4s and all M16A2 and A4s with the M203A2 grenade launcher attached.

Armorsers, make sure you have this edition of the TM so you don't miss out on other updated information.

Half-Mast