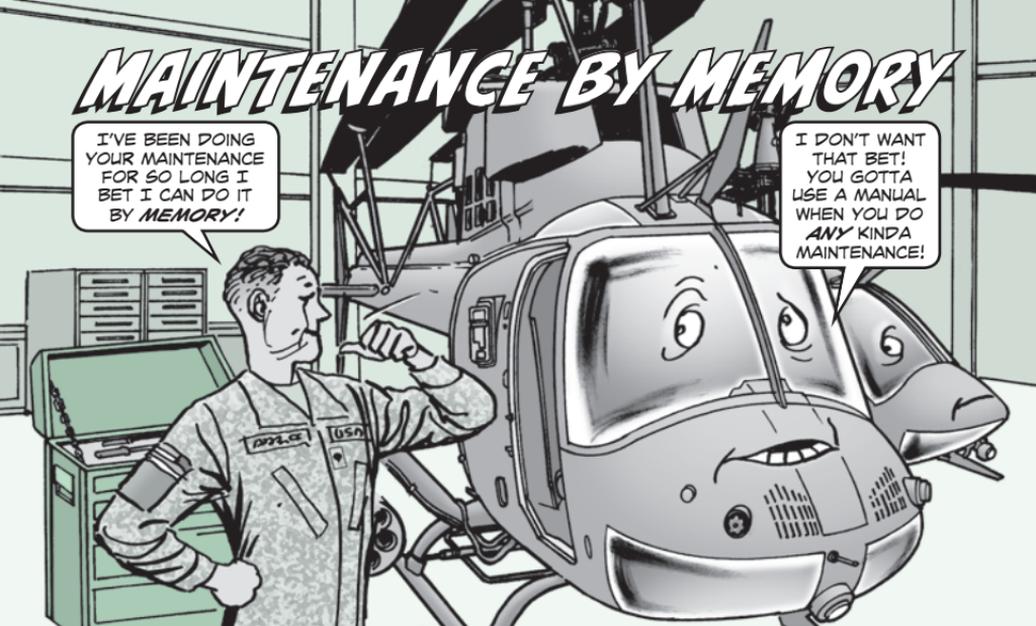


MAINTENANCE BY MEMORY



I'VE BEEN DOING YOUR MAINTENANCE FOR SO LONG I BET I CAN DO IT BY **MEMORY!**

I DON'T WANT THAT BET! YOU GOTTA USE A MANUAL WHEN YOU DO **ANY** KINDA MAINTENANCE!

Daily routine tasks can turn us into creatures of habit. And you know that habits can be good or bad.

For equipment, there's always daily or BEFORE PMCS inspections that must be done.

There's a problem. Whenever a maintenance task or inspection becomes too familiar, we have a tendency to do the job from memory.

Daily maintenance and inspections must be done by the book, but because we do checks daily, we think we can toss the TM and rely on our memory instead.

Performing preventive maintenance by memory is nothing more than maintenance by the seat of your pants, or maintenance on-the-fly, which ends up hit or miss.

Even though you think you know how to do a task or an inspection, you can't afford to not use the TM for those crucial step-by-step instructions. Failing to read the manual puts you and your equipment in harm's way.

Don't get in the habit of doing maintenance or inspections without TMs, ETMs, or IETMs. Always remember that the when, what and how of inspections and maintenance procedures change, so it's in your best interest **not** to do inspections or maintenance by memory. Your memories may be wrong or out-of-date.

THINK ABOUT IT. WOULD YOU STAKE **YOUR LIFE, RIGHT NOW, ON THE CONDITION OF YOUR EQUIPMENT, IF YOU KNEW ITS INSPECTION WAS DONE BY MEMORY?**

I WOULDN'T!

