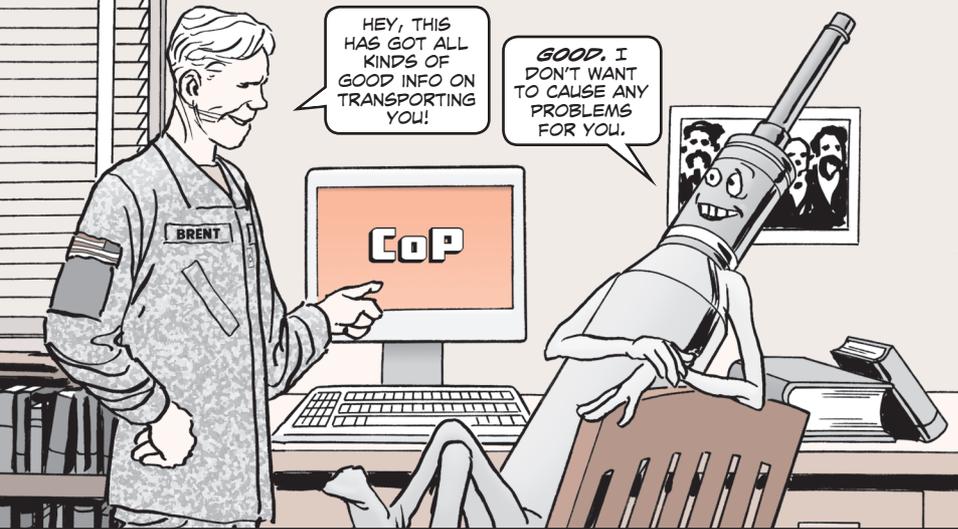


ON-LINE HELP FOR HAZMAT TRANSPORT



If your unit transports hazardous materials (HAZMAT), you need to get to know the HAZMAT Transportation Community of Practice (CoP).

The CoP, which is managed by the Defense Ammunition Center (DAC), is an interactive online knowledge base in which transportation pros can communicate and share their experiences of transporting ammunition and other HAZMAT. It is an excellent resource for lessons learned, tips, and links to HAZMAT regulations and policies. It also provides a forum for expert answers to HAZMAT questions.

The CoP has four major transport sections: commercial air, land, military air, and sea vessel. It also has a section on frequently asked questions and links to other relevant websites. CoP members can initiate or participate in discussions about any topic or explore past discussions. A popular tags feature allows you to check out the most often read discussions and searches.

To get to the CoP, go to the Battle Command Knowledge System (BCKS) portal at <https://forums.bcks.army.mil> and click on HAZMAT Transportation CoP. Then click on BECOME A MEMBER.

If you are already a member, you can access the CoP directly by clicking on

<https://haztrans.bcks.army.mil>

You will have the option of logging in via your CAC or with your AKO user id and password.

There is also on the same webpage a CoP on container inspection for those involved with the worldwide DOD container fleet. Contact Robert Hanger, DSN 956-8119, (918) 420-8119, or email robert.e.hanger@us.army.mil for more info.

Ammo CoP

DAC has also established a CoP devoted entirely to ammunition. The Ammo CoP is run in collaboration with the Combined Arms Support Command, the Ordnance Center and School, and the Defense Acquisition University.

The Ammo CoP supplies information on safety, operations, logistics, training links, and POCs. It also has an Ask the Expert link through which questions can be sent directly to a subject matter expert.

To join the Ammo CoP, go to <https://acc.dau.mil/ammo>

M240 Machine Gun...

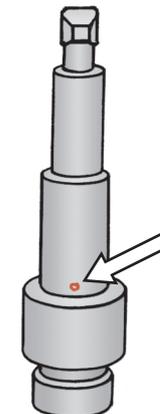
ARE THREE PORTS TOO MANY?



Dear Half-Mast,
All of our M240B machine guns have three-port gas regulators. But the M240's TM 9-1005-313-10 says they should have a single-port gas regulator. Should we turn in our M240B barrels?

SSG P.S.

Three-port regulator should be replaced with one-port regulator when it wears out



Dear Sergeant P.S.,
No. All M240Bs and M240Hs should eventually have the newer single-port regulator. But the three-port regulator should be replaced only if it fails inspection or quits working.

Half-Mast