

»GASP!« THIS INFORMATION ISN'T RIGHT! I'VE GOT TO LET PS KNOW...

...A BIT MORE ON BATTERY TESTERS!



Dear Editor,

I found a mistake on Page 14 of PS 682 (Sep 09) in the article entitled "Protect Vehicle Battery Life." NSN 6130-01-463-8499 is the only NSN for the MBT-1, and it costs \$52.67 each. NSN 6625-01-433-6786 costs \$384.33, and it's not the MBT-1. It's the MCR-400 tester.

Also, the MBT-1 was designed to be used by operators to test each battery in the end item. However, the 490-PT battery analyzer, NSN 6130-01-510-9594, is used by mechanics to determine the actual health and cold cranking amps (CCA) for each battery when in service. It's also used when the operator gets a reading other than all four lights being lit with the MBT-1. This finding would then be recorded on the DA Form 5988-E. Depending on how each shop conducts business, the operator should be able to borrow an MBT-1 from either a mechanic or the tool room.

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Editor's note: Thanks for your helpful feedback, Sergeant. We'll try to be a bit more clear in the future. Our intent was to show the MBT-1 as one of several options for units needing a battery tester. Note that the MCR-400 battery tester we listed, NSN 6625-01-433-6786, is no longer commercially available.