

Small Arms...

Homemade CLP Wipes

HEY, BIG GUY,
LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE
GOT A BIT OF DIRT
ON YOUR BARREL.

LET ME
TOUCH YOU
UP WITH MY
CLP WIPES.

THOSE
THINGS
SURE ARE
HANDY!



Dear Editor,

Most units have loads of the wet wipes Soldiers use to clean their hands in the field. I've come up with a way to turn the hand wipes into CLP wipes.

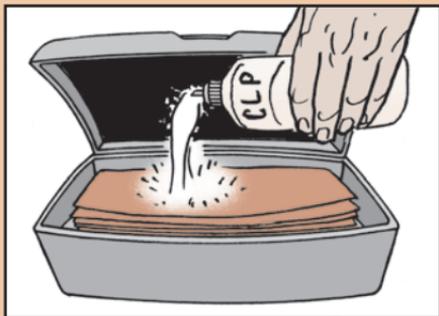
In a clean, protected indoor area, remove all the wipes from the container and put them out where they can air dry for a few days. The alcohol in the wipes needs to completely evaporate.

Wipe out the inside of the wipes container with a paper towel and let it air dry, too.

Put the wipes back in the container and pour enough CLP on them so they are lightly saturated. Close up the container. Whenever you need to clean your weapon, pull out one of the wipes and go to it. These are especially handy for cleaning weapons stored in the arms room that have collected dust.

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Editor's note: A handy idea, Sergeant. But remember in a desert like Iraq you don't want the outside of your weapon covered with CLP. That just attracts sand and causes problems for your weapon.

You can buy ready-made CLP wipes, too. The price is \$5 for 20. They're called Break Free wipes and are available on-line.