

M1-Series
Tanks...

"M" or "U"

...Does It Matter?

MY TURRET
NUMBER HAS AN
"M" ON THE END!

MINE
HAS A
"U"!

WHAT'S
GOIN'
ON?

7480M

Dear Half-Mast,

I'm confused. Some of the tanks in our unit have turret numbers that end with an "M" while others end with a "U." Why the difference in the two numbers? Should I be treating the two turrets differently?

SFC J.C.R.

Dear Sergeant J.C.R.,

You're not alone, Sergeant. A lot of Soldiers are noticing the turret numbers and have the same questions.

The "M" stands for "Modified." Turrets with the "M" designation are part of the latest generation of tanks being produced today. These turrets have undergone structural and ease-of-manufacturing changes that reduce the already safe radiation levels of the armor while maintaining the same level of ballistic protection.

Modified turrets end with "M"...

7480M

...while others end with "U"

10007U

Treat these turrets no differently than you do the "U" turrets. All security, safety and maintenance procedures remain the same.

By the way, some of the early M1A1s have **no** letter at the end of the turret number. Treat them the same as the "M" and "U" turrets.

Half-Mast