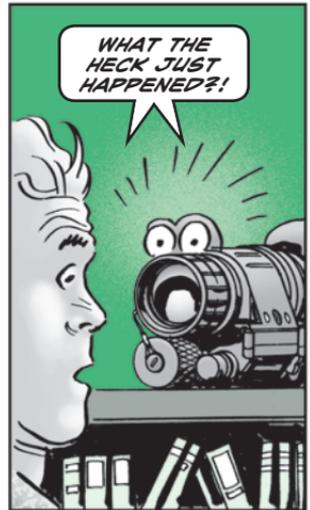
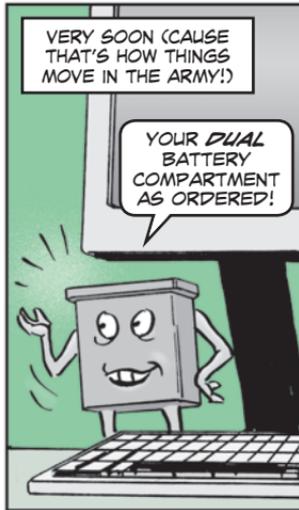


SINGLE OUT BATTERY COMPARTMENT



Dear Half-Mast,

I've got one of those "what the heck is happening" questions concerning the battery compartment on the AN/PVS-14 night vision device (NVD).

I was told to order the single battery compartment, NSN 5855-01-523-4058, for our NVDs. It's newer and supposedly more durable than the dual battery compartment, NSN 5855-01-444-1233. In addition, as indicated, it needs only one battery! Both of these battery compartments are shown in several illustrations including the cover of TM 11-5855-306-10.

However, when I order the single compartment, they send the dual one! Now I see that the single compartment is a terminal item on FED LOG!

So, what the heck is happening with the single battery compartment for the AN/PVS-14?

SSG S.W.

Dear Sergeant S.W.,

Thanks for writing. At PS, we love answering "what the heck is happening" questions. What the heck is happening is a supply SNAFU. Somewhere, somehow, the ball passing between the supplier of the single compartment and the Army supply shelves was dropped! Now it looks like 2011 before the single compartments will be available.

So, continue to live with the dual compartment and the two batteries for now and when the single one becomes available, we'll let you and all PS readers know.

Half-Mast