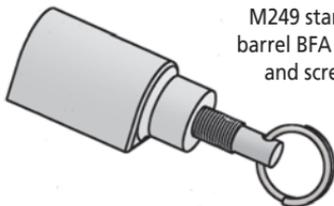


Editor's note: Using the M249 standard barrel BFA with the short barrel increases the unlocking velocity of the bolt when it leaves the barrel socket. That increased velocity can damage the receiver's inner rail, which means curtains for the M249.

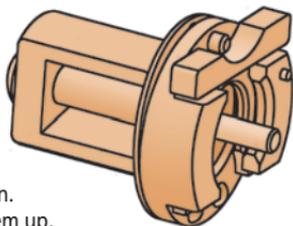
The BFA for the M249 standard barrel is red and screws in. It comes with NSN 1005-21-912-8997.

The BFA for the short barrel is yellow and clamps on. Order it with NSN 1005-01-537-0491.

If you've already fired blanks through the short barrel with the standard barrel BFA screwed in, have your armorer check the inner rail for cracks. See Page 2-45 in TM 9-1005-201-23&P for directions.



M249 standard barrel BFA is red and screws in



M249 short barrel BFA is yellow and clamps on. Don't mix them up.

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