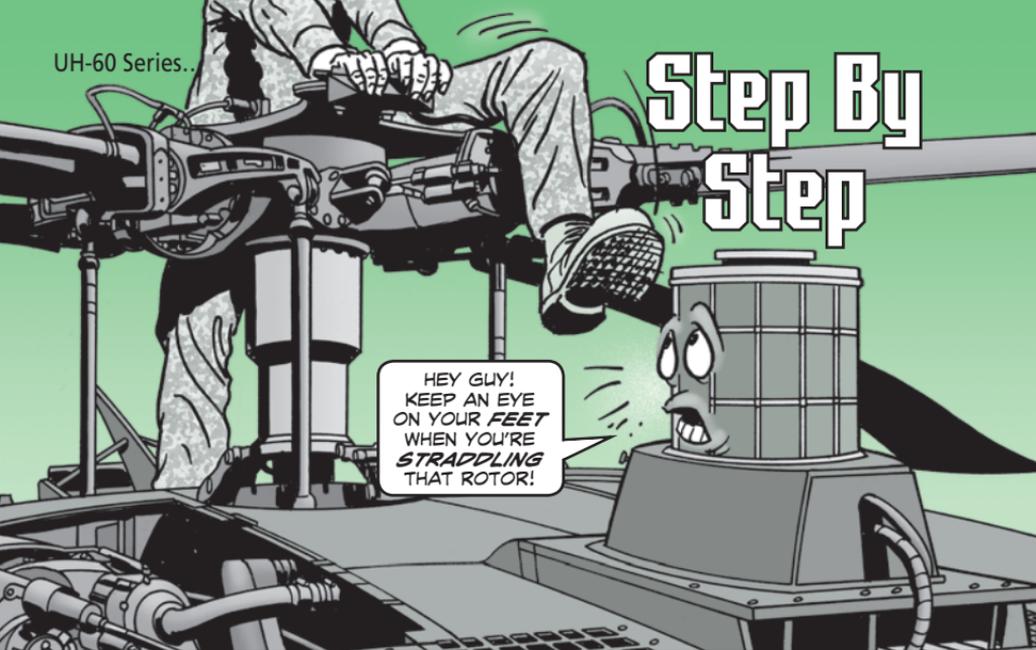


Step By Step



Mechanics, going top-side on your Black Hawk for maintenance or inspections is no time to be foot-loose or fancy-free.

To get where you want on top of your bird, you sometimes have to straddle the rotor blades. That's where your feet can get you in trouble.

Not paying attention to your surroundings or where your feet touch down puts the ALQ-144A/C countermeasure set in harm's way. Stepping over rotor blades and then accidentally kicking the set breaks the window panes. A cracked or broken window pane will not only cost you downtime, but also an expensive trip to your aviation support company for them to fix it.

When you're not checking the countermeasure set but just walking top-side to inspect your bird, protect the set with a cover and a bucket like we told you on Page 38 of PS 652. That way, if you accidentally kick the set, the bucket takes the impact.

