

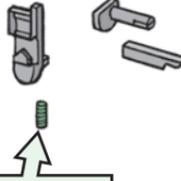
Springs No Longer Replaced Automatically

**ARMORERS,
WE'VE GOT A FEW
CHANGES YOU
NEED TO MAKE
IN YOUR M2 TM
ABOUT SPRINGS.**

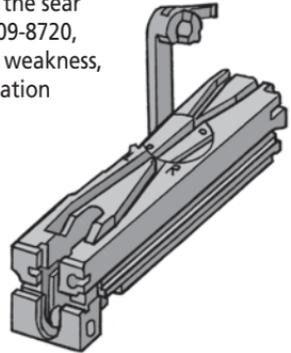
**SO GET OUT
YOUR TM AND
KEEP READING!**

WP 0020 00-2 in the M2 machine gun's TM 9-1005-213-23&P says to replace the sear helical spring and lever stop nut flat spring annually.

That requirement is being eliminated. Instead, make sure you check the sear helical spring, NSN 5360-00-209-8720, for deformity, collapsed coils, weakness, elongation and correct installation during BEFORE PMCS. See WP 0010 00-11.



Sear helical spring



Lever stop nut flat spring

Check the lever stop nut flat spring, NSN 5360-00-731-2029, for bends, cracks, breaks, and correct installation during BEFORE PMCS. The timing adjustment nut should be difficult to turn with one finger if the spring is in good shape. See WP 0010 00-16.

If you have doubts about either spring, replace it. Better safe than sorry.

Also, the requirement on WP 0020 00-2 to document gaging on DA Form 2408-4 is being eliminated. Document gaging on DA Form 5988-E or DA Form 2404 instead.

Make a note of these changes until the TM is updated.