

M240H,  
M249 Machine Guns...

# DON'T COCK UP ON COCKING



SOLDIERS ARE ROUTINELY **NOT** FOLLOWING THE LOADING AND CLEARING PROCEDURES FOR THEIR M240H AND M249 MACHINE GUNS.

THIS CAN **DAMAGE** THE WEAPON OVER TIME AND **ENDANGER** SOLDIERS.

Both the M240H and M249 should be in either the FIRE position with the bolt fully forward or in the SAFE position with the bolt locked to the rear.

If the gunner puts the weapon on SAFE with the bolt forward and then tries to charge the gun, he jams and/or damages it.

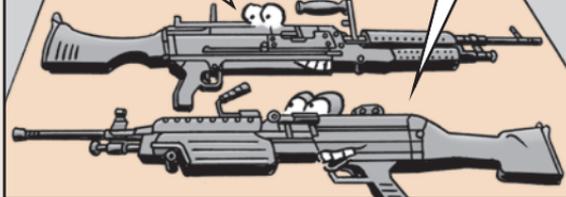
Pulling the bolt halfway back and then putting the selector in SAFE causes the sear to rise, blocking the bolt from moving forward. If the gunner then tries to charge the weapon, he damages the sear, plus he can cause the machine gun to jam.

The cocking handle also needs to be locked fully forward after you lock back the bolt. The handle should click into place if it's fully forward. If the handle is not locked forward, it will bang against the cocking handle stop during firing. That wears out the receiver rails and the handle. There is no fix for worn out rails. The weapon must be replaced.

Again, your M240H or M249 should be in either the FIRE position with the bolt fully forward or the SAFE position with the bolt locked to the rear.

WE NEED TO BE EITHER IN **FIRE** WITH OUR BOLTS FULLY FORWARD OR IN **SAFE** WITH OUR BOLTS LOCKED FULLY TO THE REAR.

BUT DEFINITELY **NOT HALF-COCKED!**



Push cocking handle forward until it locks

