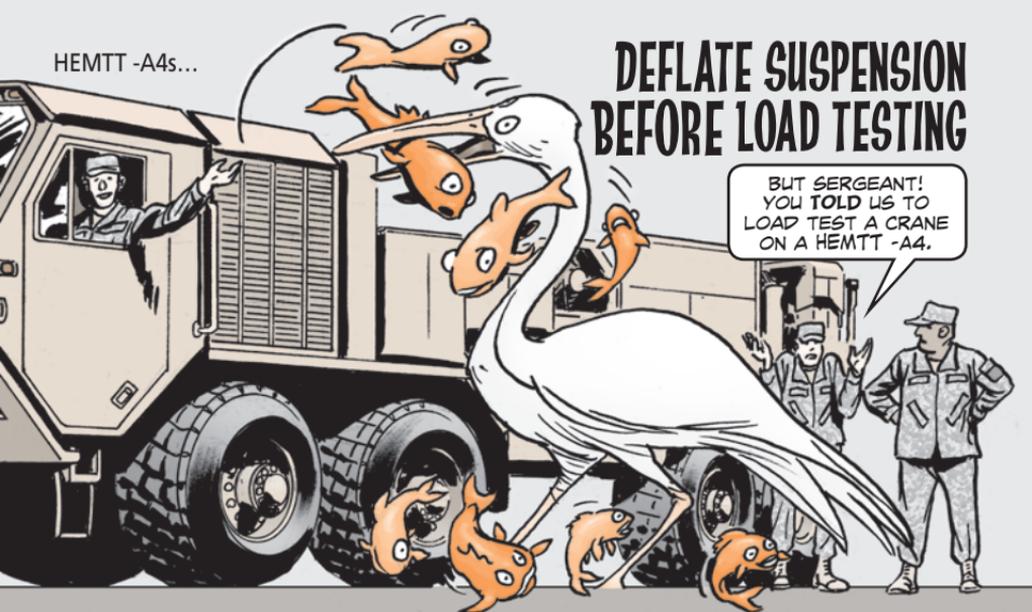


DEFLATE SUSPENSION BEFORE LOAD TESTING



You want your equipment to work, but that doesn't always happen. And if you've tried load testing a crane on your HEMTT -A4, you might have experienced this!

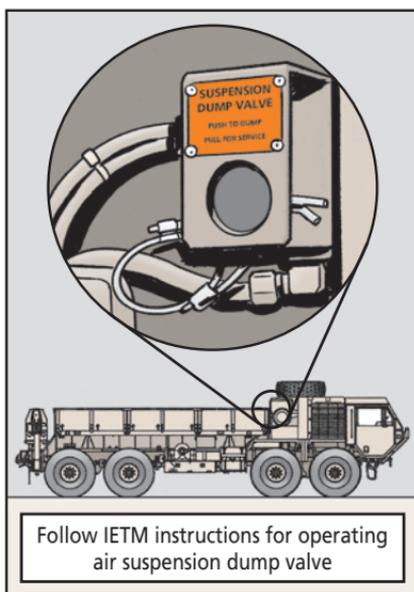
Troops have found that load testing a crane on a HEMTT -A4 leads to the suspension air bags inflating and raising the load. This makes it impossible to measure the drift of the load during the test.

Avoid this problem by following these updated load test procedures that will be added to your HEMTT -A4 IETM, EM 0288:

When you set up the crane, under the "Prepare Crane For Operation" section of the IETM, make sure you dump the suspension air before setting up the outriggers. Go to the "Operator" section of the IETM and find the procedure to "Operate Air Suspension Dump Valve." Follow those instructions.

Once you've finished operating or load testing the crane, inflate the suspension after stowing the outriggers.

That means the SPNSN AIR LOW indicator light, located to the right of the speedometer and above the transmission oil temperature gauge, should be OFF before you move the HEMTT. This is important because if you operate the HEMTT without the suspension inflated, you could damage the truck.



Follow IETM instructions for operating air suspension dump valve