

LEAVE M203 MOUNTED FOR GAGING

WAIT A MINUTE!
IF YOU SEND MY 203
OFF TO GAGING ALONE,
THEY CAN'T TELL IF IT'S
MOUNTED RIGHT.

YEAH, THAT
COULD AFFECT MY
BARREL. SEND US
OFF **TOGETHER!**



Dear Editor,

Sometimes units turn in their M203 grenade launchers for annual gaging without their host weapons, the M16 rifle or M4/M4A1 carbine.

That causes a problem. If the M203s are not left on the weapons, we can't verify that the M203s are properly mounted. We have seen M203s mounted so loosely that the host weapon's barrel nut was damaged. And we have seen other M203s whose quick-disconnect bracket was so tight that the host weapon's barrel straightness gage couldn't pass through.

So please tell units to leave the M203s on the host weapon when they turn it in for gaging. That way we can make sure the M203s are in good shape and mounted correctly.

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Editor's note: Good tip, Peter. We will gladly pass it on to armorers.

M2
Machine
Gun...

Where's the BFA?

Dear Half-Mast,

The blank firing attachments (BFA) for our M2 machine guns have some parts that need to be replaced. We can't find anything in the M2 TMs. Where can we find parts info?

SFC D.S.

Dear Sergeant First Class D.S.,

The M19 BFA actually has its own TM, TM 9-1005-314-13&P (Feb 10), which lists all the repair parts. You can find the TM at the ETM site:

<https://www.logsa.army.mil/etms/online.cfm>

The repair parts are listed in WP 0010 00.

Half-Mast