

ARMS ROOMS GO DIGITAL



Arms rooms are catching up with the computer age. The Army has authorized digital arms room systems for receipt, storage, issue and accountability of arms room equipment.

Units can use digital technology to track weapons maintenance and to check weapons in and out. The digital arms room system also allows armorers to use digital signatures or public key infrastructure (PKI) on arms room forms instead of physical “ink” signatures only. The digital systems will also aid in tracking small arms repair parts, with bar codes assigned by NSNs and serial numbers, which makes inventory much easier.

The digital system eliminates the need for forms such as DA Form 3749, *Equipment Receipt Card*, and for hard copies of forms that can be stored electronically with digital or PKI signatures. That eliminates paper waste.

AR 735-5, *Policies and Procedures for Property Accountability*; AR 190-11, *Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition and Explosives*; and DA Pam 710-2-1, *Using Unit Supply System*, are being updated to reflect these changes in arms room policy.

For more information on automating your arms room, contact the Joint Automatic Identification Technology (PM J-AIT) folks.

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