

# BAD FIRING PINS DANGEROUS



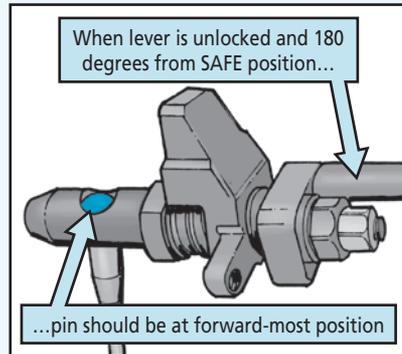
SOME BAD REMOVABLE FIRING PINS, NSN 1005-01-583-2295, FOR THE STRYKER MORTAR CARRIER HAVE GOTTEN OUT TO THE FIELD.

THESE FIRING PINS DO THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO.

When the bad removable firing pin is put in SAFE (3 o'clock position with the pin retracted), it's actually extended from the breech cap in the FIRE position. And when the bad firing pin is put in FIRE (9 o'clock with the pin extended), it's retracted.

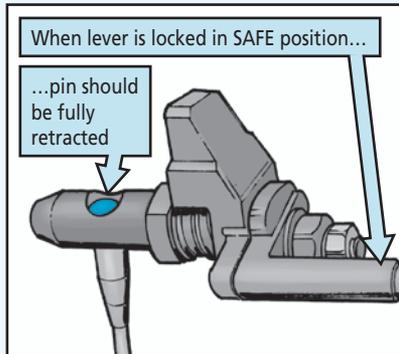
The result is a round that won't fire in FIRE mode. If the crew can't remove the pin and puts the safety mechanism in the SAFE position to do the misfire procedure, the round could fire if it slips while using the round extractor. That could be a catastrophe.

So, before another round is fired, repairmen should check all Stryker mortar carriers for bad removable firing pins. Check spare firing pins, too. See WP 0370 in TM 9-2355-311-10-3-3 for the removal/installation and inspection procedures. When the firing pin is in the SAFE position (3 o'clock), it should be fully retracted. If it's not, you've got a bad pin.



When lever is unlocked and 180 degrees from SAFE position...

...pin should be at forward-most position



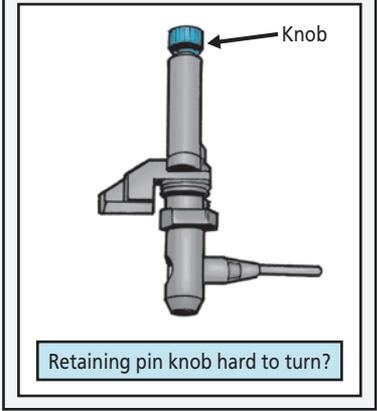
When lever is locked in SAFE position...

...pin should be fully retracted

WHILE YOU'RE AT IT, ALSO CHECK THE FIRING PIN ASSEMBLY FOR THESE PROBLEMS...



- retaining pin spring jamming in the housing on the lock assembly
- retaining pin knob not turning or turning with difficulty



If the firing pin is defective, turn it in to Contractor Logistics Support for free replacement.

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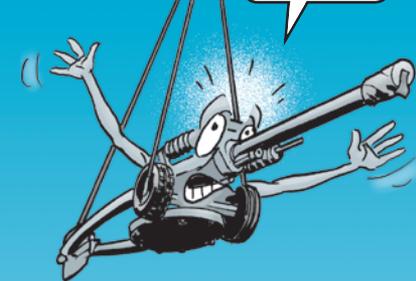
For more information, see TACOM ground precautionary action (GPA) message 12-018:

<https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/SAFETY/message.cfm?id=GPA12-018.html>



WAIT! I CAN'T GO YET!

THEY DIDN'T INCLUDE MY COEI!



## COEI Stays with M119A2

If your M119A2 howitzer is being shipped out or transferred to another unit, its components of end item (COEI) must go with it. COEI cannot be separated from the end item.

M119A2 COEI include the breech block, M187 mount and jack strut.

Basic issue items (BI) are another story. They can be packaged and shipped separately from the M119A2.

For a complete list of the M119A2's COEI and BI, see WP 0051 in TM 9-1015-252-10 (Sep 10).