

M249  
Machine  
Gun...

## SOLID BUTTSTOCK REQUIRED?

MY BUTTSTOCK  
IS AAL AND YOURS  
IS BII...

...THAT MEANS ARMORERS NEED TO  
ALWAYS KEEP THE SOLID BUTTSTOCK, EVEN  
IF THE COLLAPSIBLE ONE IS BEING USED!



Dear Half-Mast,

I know PS said that armorers need to keep the standard barrel for the M249 even though the short barrel is the one being used. That's because the standard barrel is a basic issue item (BI) and must be with the M249 when it's turned in.

But what about the solid buttstock? Do armorers need to keep it if the collapsible buttstock is what's installed on the M249?

J.C.

Dear Mr. J.C.,

Yes, the solid buttstock needs to be kept. Before an M249 can be turned in or transferred to another unit it must be returned to its original configuration, which is the solid buttstock with the two standard barrels. So you need to keep that solid buttstock and two standard barrels where you can find them when needed.

And hang on to the short barrel and collapsible buttstock.

You'll be able to use them on another M249.

*Half-Mast*

MK 19 Machine Gun...

LET'S  
MAKE  
SURE WE  
HAVE THE  
NEW TM!

YOU GOT  
THAT RIGHT,  
BUDDY!



## TM Changes Here

A new revision of the MK 19 machine gun's TM 9-1010-230-23&P just came out. It has a few changes armorers need to make a note of:

- The mandatory replacement parts list that was in WP 00122 of the old TM has been removed. From now on, replace parts only as needed.
- The detailed technical inspection that is in the PMCS Steps 13-15 in WP 0021 now says "Not for Army Use." Cross that out. The detailed technical inspection (DTI) should be done by all services, including the Army.