

IT IS YOUR BUSINESS!



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You drive it, shoot it, wear it, fly it or communicate with it. So who maintains it? The answer is—a lot of people.

Operators, whose lives often depend on equipment working right, must do preventive maintenance checks and services.

Motor pool and aircraft mechanics, armorers, communications and CBRN NCOs, and others perform unit-level maintenance and troubleshooting.

But high equipment readiness rates are attainable only when commanders, platoon leaders and sergeants, and maintenance officers make it a priority. The Army is starting the Command Maintenance Discipline Program (CMDP) because all Soldiers have a role in equipment combat readiness. You can read about the CMDP on Pages 58-59 of this issue.

Leaders should insist that PMCS and scheduled services are performed correctly. Leader inspections of maintenance activities ensure that maintenance discipline is effective.

I ask my fellow NCOs this question. Do you know the maintenance condition of the equipment assigned to your Soldiers? It is your business and it requires continuing attention.