

DOING SLING LOADING OPERATIONS RIGHT

WHEN IT'S TIME FOR SLING LOADING OPERATIONS, KNOWING WHERE TO GO FOR INFORMATION IS KEY.



THE FIRST PLACE TO START IS YOUR AIRCRAFT-SPECIFIC TMS AND IETMS.

ALL SLING LOADING OPERATIONS SHOULD BE DONE BY THE BOOK AND NOT BY THE SEAT OF YOUR PANTS. OTHERWISE, ACCIDENTS WILL HAPPEN.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, MAKE A NOTE THAT FM 4-20.197, MULTI-SERVICE HELICOPTER SLING LOAD: BASIC OPERATIONS AND EQUIPMENT, HAS CHANGED TO TM 4-48.09.

YOU CAN FIND THE TM ON THE ARMY PUBLISHING DIRECTORATE (APD) WEBSITE: http://armypubs.army.mil/doctrine/Active_TM.html



THE OTHER SLING LOADING FMS ON APD DID NOT CHANGE TO TMS. THEY ARE FM 4-20.198, MULTISERVICE HELICOPTER SLING LOAD: SINGLE-POINT LOAD RIGGING PROCEDURES, AND FM 4-20.199, MULTISERVICE HELICOPTER SLING LOAD: DUAL-POINT LOAD RIGGING PROCEDURES. YOU CAN FIND THEM ON THE APD WEBSITE: http://armypubs.army.mil/doctrine/Active_FM.html

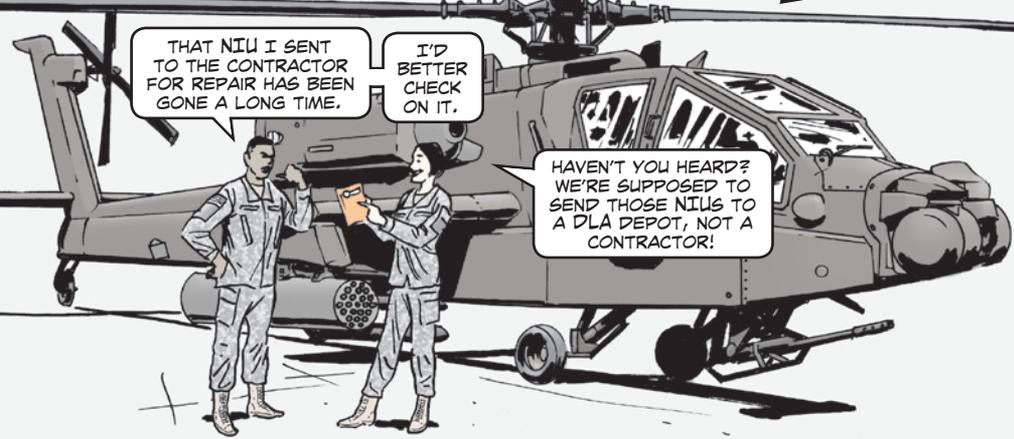
ALL LOADS MUST BE RIGGED BY AN AIR ASSAULT-QUALIFIED PERSON.

AH-64D/E... Turn In NIU to DLA Depot

THAT NIU I SENT TO THE CONTRACTOR FOR REPAIR HAS BEEN GONE A LONG TIME.

I'D BETTER CHECK ON IT.

HAVEN'T YOU HEARD? WE'RE SUPPOSED TO SEND THOSE NIUS TO A DLA DEPOT, NOT A CONTRACTOR!



Turning in unserviceable or defective nitrogen inerting units (NIUs), NSN 1560-01-165-9449 or NSN 1560-01-587-1028, to a contractor is not the correct procedure to follow, mechanics.

If you have broken NIUs, you must return them to a DLA depot to receive turn-in credit. Defective assets should be returned to DLA using the Quality Deficiency Report (QDR) process.

Submitting defective NIUs on a QDR allows them to be tracked so a service-able NIU can be returned to your unit more efficiently.

Make a note that the new configuration NIU, NSN 1560-01-587-1028, is now available. So if you are ordering an NIU, use the new NSN.

Turn in unserviceable NIUs to DLA depot

