

HOW TO STORE AND SHIP



YOUR M41 PROTECTION ASSESSMENT TEST SYSTEM (PATS) **WILL FLUNK THE TEST FOR TESTING MASKS** IF YOU DON'T REMEMBER A FEW RULES FOR STORAGE AND SHIPMENT...



Short Term Storage



FOR SHORT-TERM STORAGE, IT'S CRITICAL YOU REMOVE ALL ALCOHOL FROM PATS.

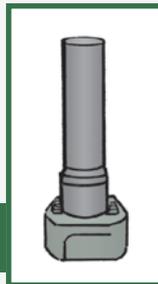
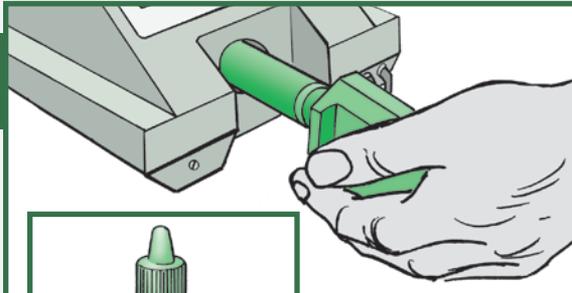
IF THE ALCOHOL CARTRIDGE IS LEFT INSIDE THE CARTRIDGE CAVITY, ALCOHOL COULD FLOOD THE OPTICS AND YOUR PATS IS OUT OF BUSINESS.

Remove the alcohol cartridge and store it in the alcohol fill capsule.

Cover the cartridge cavity with the storage cap. That prevents dirt from getting inside the PATS.

Always recap alcohol containers immediately to prevent them from absorbing moisture, which weakens the alcohol's purity.

Keep the storage cap and alcohol cartridge clean. Always set them down with their ends standing up so they don't pick up dirt.



Shipment or Long Term Storage

IF THE PATS IS GOING TO BE SHIPPED OR IS GOING TO BE STORED FOR LONGER THAN 60 DAYS, FOLLOW THE SHORT-TERM STORAGE RULES WITH THESE ADDITIONS...



Remove and properly dispose of all alcohol inside the alcohol fill capsule. Let the sponge and capsule dry completely before storage. Otherwise, you could have a fire hazard.

Remove and properly dispose of the used alcohol wick inside the alcohol cartridge.

Install a new, dry wick in the alcohol cartridge. See WP 15 in TM 3-4240-349-12&P for instructions.

Remove all alcohol bottles from the PATS carrying case and store them in an authorized storage area in accordance with your local SOP. If PATS is being shipped, order alcohol when you arrive at your new location.

Remove all batteries from the PATS and its carrying case and store them in an authorized storage area. Batteries should be either shipped separately or new ones ordered at the new location.

Never ship the PATS without its carrying case and accessories. The case is specially designed to protect PATS.

