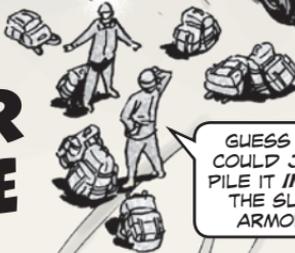


# SLAT ARMOR NOT FOR STORAGE

WHERE ARE WE GONNA STORE ALL THIS GEAR?



GUESS WE COULD JUST PILE IT **INSIDE** THE SLAT ARMOR.

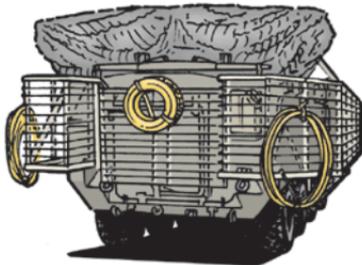
OH, NO, YOU DON'T! THAT'LL MAKE YOU AND ME LESS SAFE FROM RPGS!

Crewmen, it's tempting to use your combat vehicle's slat armor as extra storage space for your gear and supplies.

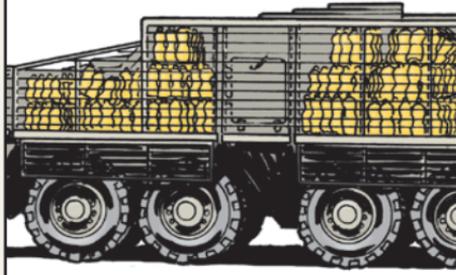
But the slat armor, which is designed to deflect an RPG blast before it can damage your vehicle and hurt you and your fellow crewmen, won't be effective if items are placed in front of or behind the armor.

Don't store cases of water bottles, water cans or other items between the slat armor and the vehicle. And don't hang rucksacks, litters and other gear on the outside of the slat armor. Litters should be secured to the outside of the vehicle with litter brackets, not stored behind the slat armor or attached to it.

**Don't** hang items on the outside...



...or store them on the inside of slat armor



Never step or climb on the slat armor. This can bend or break the slats. The space between the slats is designed specifically to disrupt an RPG. Any change to that spacing can leave you unprotected.

Also, a little PMCS goes a long way toward making sure your vehicle's slat armor will keep you safe. Follow these tips...

1. Look for cracked, warped or broken slats. Report any you find.
2. Tighten bolts and mounting hardware as needed, and replace anything that's missing.
3. Clear paper, leaves, branches and other debris from the slats.
4. Look for rust and report any you find.