

WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU? YOU'RE BRAND NEW AND YOU HARDLY FIRE!

NEW GUNS NEED LUBING, TOO, Y'KNOW!

# CURE SLUGGISH FIRING

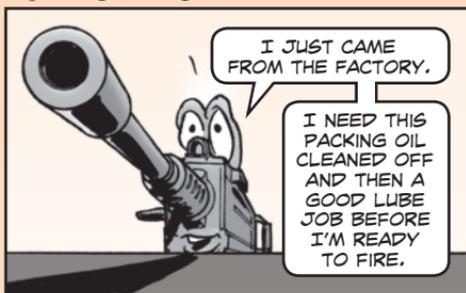
Some units are reporting that their new M2A1 machine guns are firing sluggishly. If your M2A1 just doesn't have any get-up-and-go, energize it like this:

Make sure the preservative packing oil is completely removed and the weapon is lubed like it says in TM 9-1005-347-10. If the packing oil is left on or the weapon isn't lubed, the weapon will fire sluggishly. That's why it's so important to do the -23&P's Service Upon Receipt on new M2A1s before they go to the field.

But if you've cleaned and lubed your M2A1 completely and it's still firing poorly, the problem may be that the buffer discs on the back plate are saturated. To check for this, repairmen should remove the disks following the procedure in WP 0017 of the -23&P. Replace wet disks with NSN 1005-00-515-2835.

When reassembling the back plate, make sure there's no in-and-out movement of the recoil mechanism buffer. You may need to add an extra disk if it's loose.

If that still doesn't fix sluggish firing, repairmen should check and adjust the M2A1's headspace and timing like it says in WP 0032 and WP 0033 of the -23&P.



Backplate discs saturated?  
Replace 'em!

