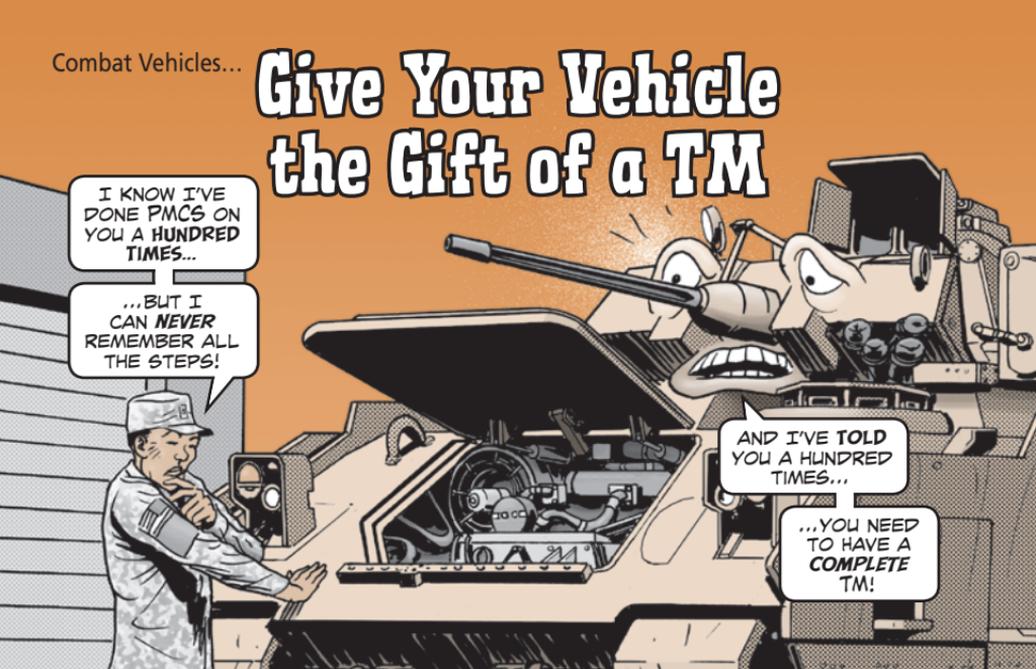


# Give Your Vehicle the Gift of a TM



I KNOW I'VE  
DONE PMCS ON  
YOU A HUNDRED  
TIMES...

...BUT I  
CAN NEVER  
REMEMBER ALL  
THE STEPS!

AND I'VE TOLD  
YOU A HUNDRED  
TIMES...

...YOU NEED  
TO HAVE A  
COMPLETE  
TM!

Dear Editor,

A lot of units have been showing up at the National Training Center at Ft Irwin without complete operator TMs for their vehicles. Sometimes they don't even have a TM at all!

It seems many Soldiers believe TMs are only available in digital format. Many have spent their own funds getting manuals printed at local print shops. Because that's so expensive, they often skimp by only printing out the PMCS portion of the TMs. That's not good enough because the entire TM is needed so operators can refer to safety and vehicle operation instructions.

Units can still order hard copies of most TMs at no cost by establishing a pubs account with the Army Publication Directorate (APD).

Set up the account by filling out and sending a DA Form 12-R, *Request For Establishment of a Publications Account*, by fax to the Account Processing Team at DSN 693-9620 or (314) 592-0920. You'll find instructions for setting up your pubs account at:

<http://www.apd.army.mil/Orders/EstablishAccount.pdf>

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**Editor's note:** Thanks for the reminder, Derek. Pubs clerks, once you have a pubs account, you can order TMs (and PS Magazine) for your unit through the Point and Click Ordering System at: <https://dol.hqda.pentagon.mil/ptclick/index.aspx>  
Once there, click on Search and enter the info for the pub you want to order.