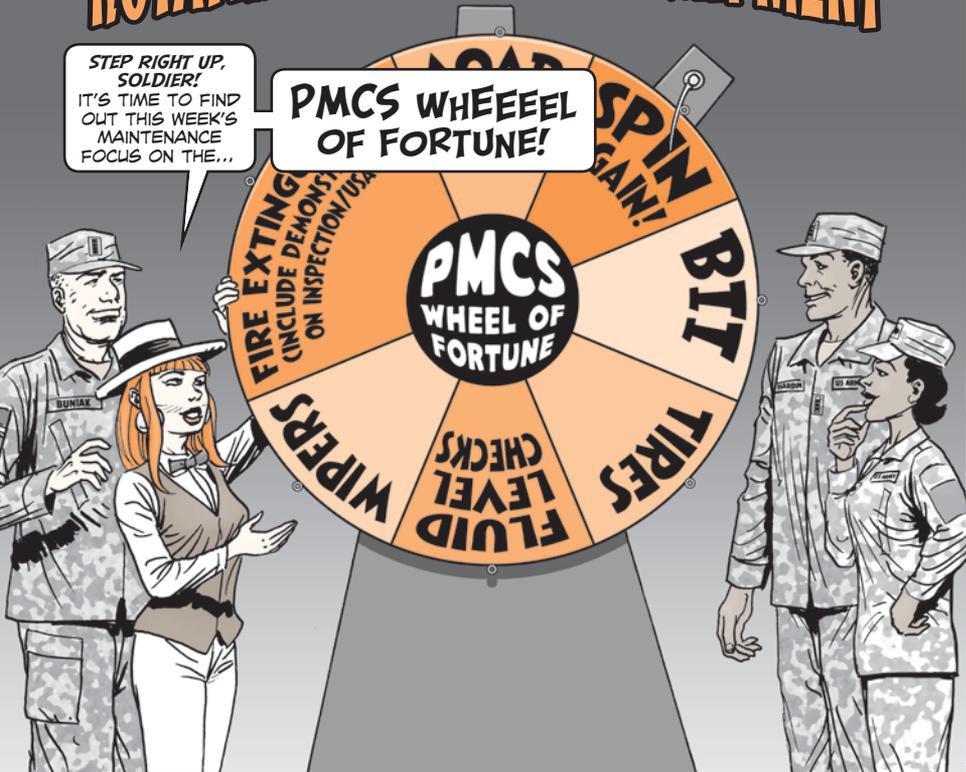


ROTATING FOCUS AIDS EQUIPMENT

STEP RIGHT UP, SOLDIER!
IT'S TIME TO FIND OUT THIS WEEK'S MAINTENANCE FOCUS ON THE...

PMCS WHEEL OF FORTUNE!



In addition to performing the PMCS, here are some examples of weekly focus areas for tactical vehicles:

- Lights
- Fluid level checks
- BTI
- Fire extinguishers (include demonstration on inspection/usage)
- Wipers
- AOAP samples (include sampling demonstration)
- Tires
- Gages and indicators
- Batteries
- Air filters (include cleaning demonstration)
- Lubrication instructions

Other equipment such as weapons, NVGs, radios, generators and CBRN items can also be included in weekly command maintenance focus areas.

CW4 Danny Taylor
Combined Arms Support Command (CASCOM)
Ft Lee, VA

SPEAKING FOR THE EDITOR, WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTRIBUTION, CHIEF TAYLOR. A ROTATING FOCUS IS A GREAT WAY TO ENSURE NO EQUIPMENT AREAS ARE NEGLECTED!



Tagged for Creative PMCS



Dear Editor,

As a former battalion maintenance officer (BMO), I'd like to share my experience in striving for better PMCS.

Our battalion conducted weekly command maintenance formations and events in the motor pool. All commanders, leaders and Soldiers were required to be present—this was emphasized by the chain of command.

The BMO highlighted a particular PMCS focus area each week. This area sometimes included a demonstration by maintainers or the BMO.

This focus area was also annotated on a memorandum and incorporated into the maintenance SOP. Once the focus area was highlighted and explained by maintenance personnel/BMO, leaders spot-checked their personnel during the PMCS.

Dear Editor,

My first CONUS duty station in 1992 was with the Service Battery, 3rd Battalion, 41st Field Artillery, 24th Infantry Division (MECH) at Ft Stewart, GA. The second battalion commander (BC) I served under had a process that I've often used in my career, even now as the 41st Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT) BDE Maintenance Technician.

We performed motor stables every Monday morning. The entire battalion marched to the motor pool, where the drive-through gate was closed behind the last arriving battery. The BC addressed the battalion in formation and announced three areas of emphasis for that week's PMCS.