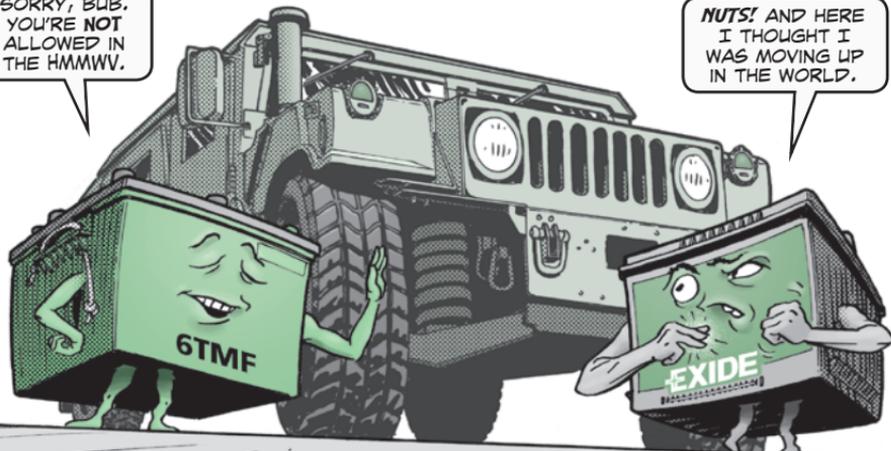


Hold Up on the Holddown

SORRY, BUB.
YOU'RE NOT
ALLOWED IN
THE HMMWV.

NUTS! AND HERE
I THOUGHT I
WAS MOVING UP
IN THE WORLD.



Dear Half-Mast,

We just got in some of the new Exide batteries, NSN 6140-01-485-1472, to install in our M1097 HMMWV. Problem is, these batteries are a little larger than the old 6TMF battery, so the holddown brackets won't fit. Is there an NSN for larger holddowns?

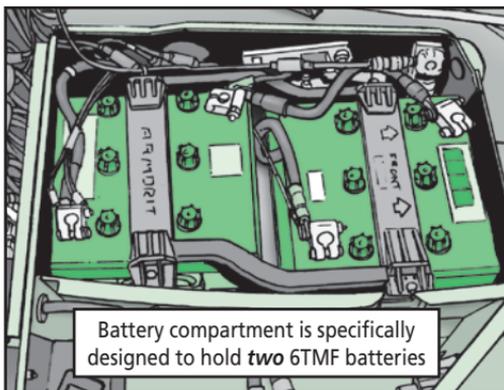
SFC J.S.W.

Dear Sergeant,

Unfortunately, no. Turns out Exide batteries aren't approved for use in HMMWVs. Since they haven't been tested, there's always a chance that using Exide batteries could negatively affect some of the vehicle's on-board systems.

Your best bet is to continue using the 6TMF batteries, NSN **6140-01-446-9498**. The HMMWV's battery compartment was specifically designed to hold two of those batteries. If other batteries are approved in the future, we'll let you know about it in PS. By the way, those 6TMF batteries are known readiness drivers.

Half-Mast



Battery compartment is specifically designed to hold **two** 6TMF batteries