

M16-Series Rifle,
M4/M4A1 Carbine...

QUICKLY SOLVE FIRING PROBLEM

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OK, I'VE
GOT A
STUCK
ROUND.
WHAT'RE
YOU
GONNA
DO?

Dear Editor,

In the heat of battle, fixing a firing stoppage in your M16 or M4 can mean the difference between life and death for you and your unit.

The ejection port is the key to quickly deciding whether you need to take immediate or remedial action. If your weapon stops firing, look in the ejection port.

If the bolt is closed, take immediate action:

1. Tap the bottom of the magazine.



2. Pull the charging handle to the rear.



3. Look to see if a round came out.

4. Check the chamber for a round.

5. Let the charging handle go forward.

6. Tap the forward assist.

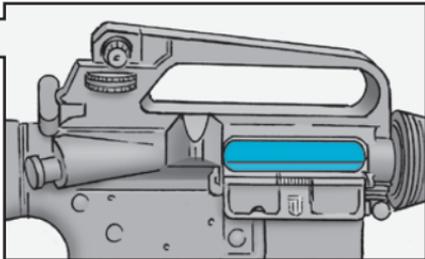
7. Try to fire.

If the bolt is open or doesn't look completely closed, take remedial action:

1. Clear the weapon.

2. Inspect the chamber for a round.

3. Remove any brass and do an open bolt load. When doing an open load, the weapon does not need to be charged to fire the next round.



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Editor's note: Great reminder, Scott! The complete procedures for both immediate and remedial action are in WP 0006 in TM 9-1005-319-10.