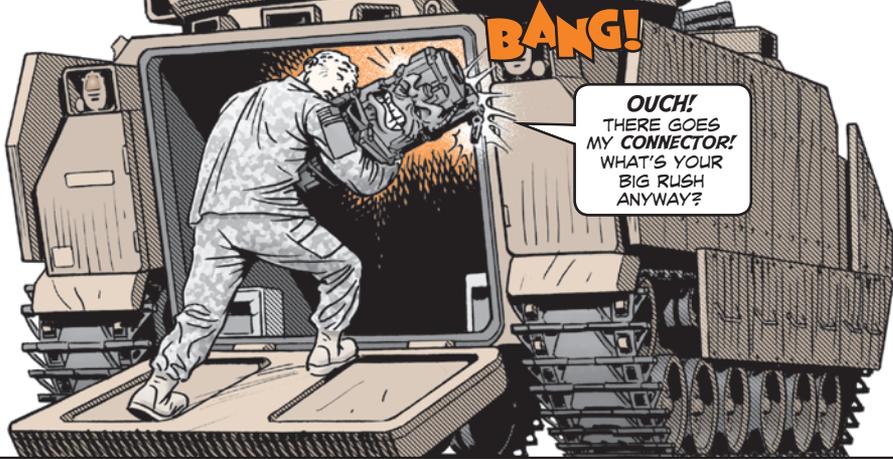


# Connect to M242 Connector Protection



**OUCH!**  
THERE GOES  
MY **CONNECTOR!**  
WHAT'S YOUR  
BIG RUSH  
ANYWAY?

The Bradley's M242 gun is a giant of a weapon, but it definitely has an Achilles' heel: the feeder's 14-pin connector. Just a moment of carelessness can ruin the connector and that knocks out the M242.

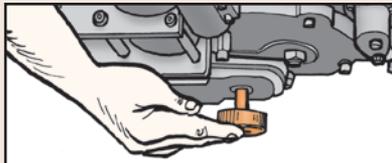
The situation has gotten so bad that the Army is running out of M242 drive current motors.

So every Bradley unit needs to connect to these 14-pin connector precautions so they don't end up with NMC M242s:

The connector is often damaged when the feeder is being positioned on the receiver because crews are doing timed drills and they haven't trained with the M242 in a long time. They rush things and BANG the connector is bent. To prevent that, do refresher training before doing timed drills. Let crews get used to putting the feeder on the receiver before starting the stopwatch.

The connector is also damaged when crews try to lock the feeder on the receiver when the feeder's not positioned correctly. Avoid that by first pushing up the vertical

drive shaft before trying to lock the feeder in place. If the drive shaft won't slide up, the feeder isn't positioned right. Reposition it and try again. Once the drive shaft is locked in place, the feeder handle should easily lock in the down position. If it doesn't, something is wrong. If you force the handle, you damage the connector. Tell your repairman.



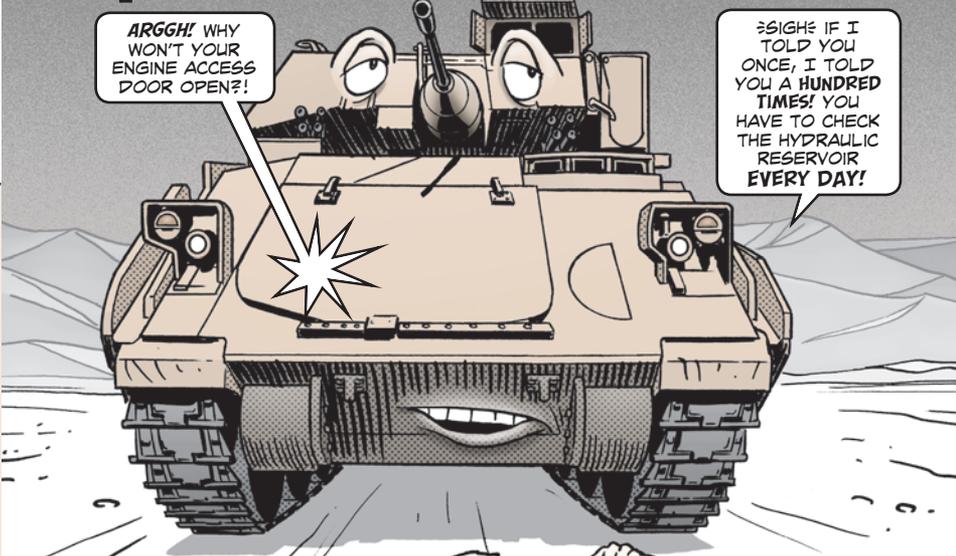
Lock drive shaft in up position  
before trying to lock feeder handle

When you remove the feeder, make sure its handle is in the down position before you lay the feeder on the ground. That protects the connector.

Put feeder handle down before putting feeder on ground

M2A2/M3A2, M2A2/M3A2 ODS, M2A3/M3A3 Bradleys, M3A3 FIST...

## Open the Door to Reservoir PM



HAVING **TROUBLE** OPENING YOUR BRADLEY'S POWER UNIT ACCESS DOOR?

YOU WILL IF YOU DON'T MAKE CHECKING THE HYDRAULIC RESERVOIR A **PRIORITY.**

YOUR ARMS WILL GET A **WORKOUT** BECAUSE YOU'LL END UP OPENING THE DOOR **MANUALLY.**

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