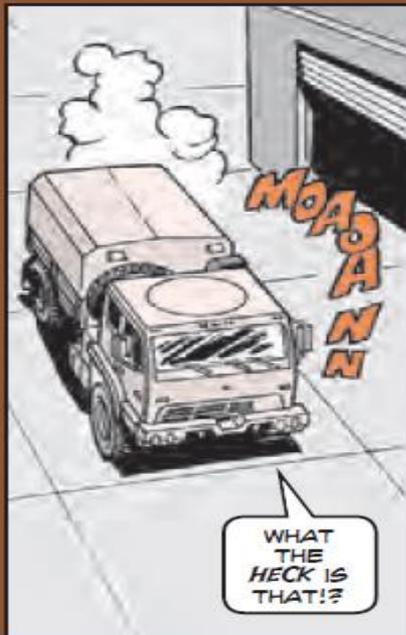


Battery Cap Coverage



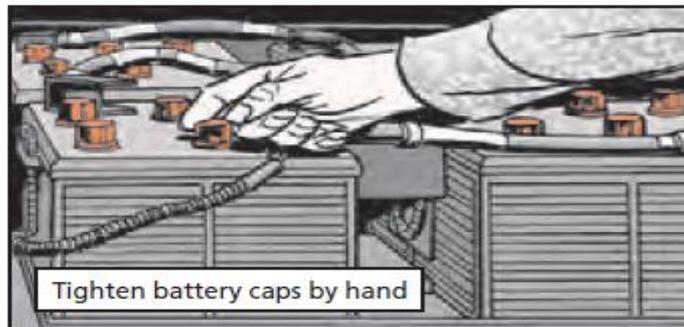
Dear Editor,

The caps on FMTV truck batteries can vibrate loose. That's why it's a good idea to tighten the caps more often than the monthly interval directed by the TM.

Tight battery caps prevent electrolytes from sloshing out and possibly even burning holes in uniforms or coveralls. But don't overtighten the caps because overtightened caps are hard to remove.

This may not seem like a big deal, but I've learned that the little things matter.

Concerned Sergeant
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Ft Hood, TX



Editor's note: Thanks for that battery cap coverage, Sergeant. Readers, note that this info applies only to FMTVs with the older style, electrolyte-filled batteries with caps. The sealed, maintenance-free batteries you see on a lot of FMTVs don't have filler caps.