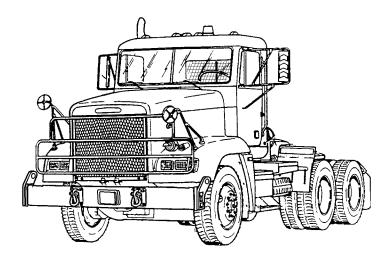
## **OPERATOR'S MANUAL**

**FOR** 

TRUCK, TRACTOR, LINE HAUL: 52,000 GVWR, 6 X 4, M915A3 (NSN 2320-01-432-4847)



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## **WARNING SUMMARY**

This warning summary contains general safety warnings and hazardous materials warnings that must be understood and applied during operation and maintenance of this equipment. Failure to observe these precautions could result in serious injury or death to personnel. Also included are explanations of safety and hazardous materials icons used within the technical manual.



BIOLOGICAL - abstract symbol bug shows that a material may contain bacteria or viruses that present a danger to life or health.



CHEMICAL - drops of liquid on hand shows that the material will cause burns or irritation to human skin or tissue.



EAR PROTECTION - headphones over ears shows that noise level will harm ears.



ELECTRICAL - electrical wire to arm with electricity symbol running through human body shows that shock hazard is present.



EYE PROTECTION - person with goggles shows that the material will injure the eyes.



FIRE - flame shows that a material may ignite and cause burns.



FLYING PARTICLES - arrows bouncing off face with face shield shows that particles flying through the air will harm face.



HEAVY OBJECT - human figure stooping over heavy object shows physical injury potential from improper lifting technique.



HEAVY PARTS - hand with heavy object on top shows that heavy parts can crush and harm.



HEAVY PARTS - heavy object on human figure shows that heavy parts present a danger to life or limb.



HOT AREA - hand over object radiating heat shows that part is hot and can burn.



VAPOR - human figure in a cloud shows that material vapors present a danger to life or health.

## FOR INFORMATION ON FIRST AID, REFER TO FM 21-11.



## WARNING

## CARBON MONOXIDE (EXHAUST GASES) CAN KILL!

- Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless, deadly poison which, when breathed, deprives the body of oxygen and causes suffocation. Exposure to air containing carbon monoxide produces symptoms of headache, dizziness, loss of muscular control, apparent drowsiness, and coma. Permanent brain damage or death can result from severe exposure.
- Carbon monoxide occurs in exhaust fumes of internal combustion engines. Carbon
  monoxide can become dangerously concentrated under conditions of inadequate
  ventilation. The following precautions must be observed to ensure safety of personnel when engine of truck is operated.
- 1. DO NOT operate truck engine in enclosed areas.
- 2. DO NOT idle truck engine without adequate ventilation.
- 3. DO NOT drive truck with inspection plates or cover plates removed.
- 4. BE ALERT for exhaust poisoning symptoms. They are:
  - Headache
  - Dizziness
  - Sleepiness
  - Loss of muscular control
- 5. If you see another person with exhaust poisoning symptoms:
  - Remove person from area.
  - · Expose to fresh air.
  - Keep person warm.
  - Do not permit physical exercise.
  - Administer cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), if necessary.
  - Notify a medic.
- 6. BE AWARE. The field protective mask for nuclear-biological-chemical (NBC) protection will not protect you from carbon monoxide poisoning.

The Best Defense Against Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Is Good Ventilation!







## **BATTERIES**

- To avoid eye injury, eye protection is required when working around batteries. DO
  NOT smoke, use open flame, make sparks, or create other ignition sources around
  batteries. If a battery is giving off gases, it can explode and cause injury to personnel.
  Remove all jewelry such as rings, ID tags, watches, and bracelets. If jewelry or a tool
  contacts a battery terminal, a direct short will result in instant heating, injury to personnel, and damage to equipment.
- Sulfuric acid contained in batteries can cause serious burns. If battery corrosion or electrolyte makes contact with skin, eyes, or clothing, take immediate action to stop the corrosive burning effects. Failure to follow these procedures may result in death or serious injury to personnel.
  - a. **Eyes.** Flush with cold water for no less than 15 minutes and seek medical attention immediately.
  - b. **Skin.** Flush with large amounts of cold water until all acid is removed. Seek medical attention as required.
  - c. <u>Internal</u>. If corrosion or electrolyte is ingested, drink large amounts of water or milk. Follow with milk of magnesia, beaten egg, or vegetable oil. Seek medical attention immediately.
  - d. <u>Clothing/Equipment</u>. Wash area with large amounts of cold water. Neutralize acid with baking soda or household ammonia.

## **BRAKES**

- DO NOT use trailer handbrake to prevent trailer from jackknifing because this may
  cause trailer to jackknife. Modern airbrake systems are designed to deliver the right
  amount of air to all wheels to stop vehicle without jackknifing. Failure to follow this
  warning may result in death or injury to personnel or damage to equipment.
- DO NOT use trailer handbrake as primary brake to keep tension on coupling system. This will cause undue tension on brakes and coupling which could result in injury to personnel or damage to equipment. Prevent problems with slack in fifth wheel by using good braking habits and adjusting coupling and braking systems properly.
- When caging brakes, block wheels to keep truck from moving when brakes are released. Failure to follow this warning may result in death or injury to personnel or damage to equipment.
- DO NOT use engine brake if road surfaces are slippery. Use of engine brake on wet, icy, or snow-covered roads could result in loss of vehicle control. Failure to follow this warning could result in death or injury to personnel or damage to equipment.
- Brake chamber contains spring under great pressure. To prevent personnel injury, never work directly behind chamber. If caging bolt will not engage properly, spring may be broken.
- DO NOT remove clamp ring around spring brake chamber. It is under tension and can cause personnel injury if released.
- When spring brakes are applied, vehicle will stop quickly which could result in injury to personnel. Also, vehicle cannot be driven again until malfunction is repaired and enough air supply is present for operation of service brakes.



## WARNING

## COMPRESSED AIR

Compressed air used for cleaning or drying purposes, or for clearing restrictions, should never exceed 30 psi (207 kPa). Wear protective clothing (goggles/shield, gloves, etc.) and use caution to avoid injury to personnel.



## DIESEL FUEL HANDLING

- DO NOT smoke or permit any open flame in area of truck while you are servicing
  diesel fuel system. Be sure hose nozzle is grounded against filler tube during refueling to prevent static electricity. Failure to follow this warning may result in injury to
  personnel or equipment damage.
- Auxiliary heater, if equipped, must be switched to OFF while refueling. Fuel may ignite, causing injury or death to personnel and damage to vehicle.
- DO NOT perform fuel system checks, inspections, or maintenance while smoking or near fire, flames, or sparks. Fuel may ignite, causing injury or death to personnel and damage to vehicle.
- Fuel tank cap may become hot during vehicle operation. Use hand protection when removing fuel cap.



## **WARNING**

## ETHER QUICK-START SYSTEM

Ether is highly flammable and explosive. DO NOT perform ether quick-start system checks or inspections while smoking or near fire, flame or sparks. Failure to follow this warning may cause a fire and explosion, causing serious injury or death to personnel.



## **WARNING**

## FIRE EXTINGUISHER

Discharging large quantities of dry chemical fire extinguisher in cab may result in temporary breathing difficulty during and immediately after the discharge event. If at all possible, discharge fire extinguisher from outside the cab. Ventilate cab thoroughly prior to reentry.



## WARNING

## HEARING PROTECTION

Hearing protection is required when operating vehicle at more than 45 mph (72 kph) with windows open for an extended period of time. Hearing protection is also required when personnel are within 1 meter (3.1 ft) of vehicle when operating at low engine idle (600 rpm) and within 3.5 meters (11 ft) of vehicle when operating at high idle (1600 rpm). Failure to follow this warning may result in hearing damage.



## NBC EXPOSURE

If NBC exposure is suspected, all air cleaner media should be handled by personnel wearing protective equipment. Consult your NBC Officer or NBC NCO for appropriate handling or disposal procedures.



IF NBC EXPOSURE IS SUSPECTED ALL AIR FILTER MEDIA WILL BE HANDLED BY PERSONNEL WEARING FULL NBC PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. SEE OPERATOR/MAINTENANCE MANUAL.

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## **WARNING**

## PRESSURIZED COOLING SYSTEM

DO NOT remove radiator cap unless engine is cold. Remove cap in two steps. First, place a thick cloth over cap and slowly turn cap left to first stop. Pause and allow pressure to escape. Turn cap further left until it can be removed. This is a pressurized cooling system and escaping steam, hot water, or coolant will cause serious burns.



## WARNING

## SINCGARS RADIO

DO NOT make contact with any bare metal/wire surface of active SINCGARS antenna elements. Failure to follow this warning could result in radio frequency (RF) shock or burn.



## **SLAVE STARTING**

- When slave starting truck, use NATO slave cable that DOES NOT have loose or missing insulation.
- DO NOT proceed if suitable cable is not available.
- DO NOT use civilian-type jumper cables.

## **WARNING**

## TIRE CHANGING

Whenever wheel lug nuts require tightening or a wheel has been removed and replaced, lug nuts must be tightened to the required torque. Failure to follow this warning may result in serious injury to personnel and damage to equipment.

## **WARNING**

## **TOWING**

Brakes will be released when air is applied to a disabled vehicle. DO NOT connect air lines to a disabled vehicle without first blocking wheels and connecting tow bar between vehicles. Failure to follow this warning could result in death or injury to personnel and damage to equipment.

## WARNING

## TRUCK OPERATION

- BE ALERT for personnel in area while operating truck. Always check to ensure area
  is clear of personnel and obstructions before moving out. Failure to follow this warning may result in serious injury or death to personnel.
- Use of seat belts while operating vehicle is mandatory. Fasten belt BEFORE driving. Trying to fasten three-point belt while driving creates a hazardous condition. Failure to follow this warning may result in death or injury to personnel.
- Serious injury may result if head clearance is not adequate while sitting in seat. Before driving or riding in vehicle, ensure there is adequate clearance at maximum upward travel of seat.
- Check Engine button is used for diagnostic purposes only. DO NOT push Check
  Engine button during vehicle operation because engine will slow down to an idle,
  which could cause hazardous operating conditions. Return to operating mode by
  releasing accelerator pedal and allowing engine to return to idle speed. Failure to follow this warning may result in death or injury to personnel.
- Ensure that steering wheel adjustment control lever is in locked (neutral) position before driving truck. NEVER try to adjust tilt or height of steering wheel while driving. Failure to follow this warning may cause death or injury to personnel.
- Use caution when coupling to or uncoupling from semitrailer. BE ALERT for personnel in area. Ensure that hands, arms, and body are clear of potential pinch points. Failure to follow this warning may result in injury to personnel.
- Operating truck with an underinflated or defective tire may lead to tire failure and loss of steering control. Injury to personnel or damage to equipment may result.
- This vehicle has been designed to operate safely and efficiently within the limits specified in this TM. Operation beyond these limits is prohibited in accordance with AR 70-1 without written approval from: Commander, U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command, ATTN: AMSTA-DSA-FP-IM, Warren, MI 48397-5000.
- If vehicle is left with engine running, vehicle can move suddenly causing serious injury or death to personnel or damage to equipment.

## **WARNING**

## WHOLE-BODY VIBRATION

When coupled to a semitrailer, DO NOT exceed 35 mph (56 kph) on secondary (gravel) roads. Failure to follow this warning could result in injury.

## **WORK SAFETY**



• Use caution when lifting or handling wheel and tire assembly. It is heavy and could cause injury if improperly lifted or if it falls on you.



- Hydraulic jack is intended only for lifting truck, not for supporting vehicle to perform maintenance. DO NOT get under truck after it is raised unless it is properly supported with blocks or jackstands. Failure to observe this warning may result in death or injury to personnel.
- Failure to completely turn ON or OFF air cutoff valve will cause loss of brakes on trailer or truck.



 Lifting cables, chains, hooks, and slings used for lifting truck must be in good condition and of suitable capacity. Failure to follow this warning may result in injury or death to personnel and damage to equipment.



• Improper use of lifting equipment and improper attachment of cables to vehicle can result in serious injury to personnel and equipment damage. Observe all standard rules of safety.



• ALWAYS install hood prop after opening hood. Failure to follow this warning could result in severe injury to personnel.

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## **HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL**

This manual is designed to help you operate and maintain the M915A3 Tractor Truck.

## **FEATURES OF THIS MANUAL:**

- A Table of Contents is provided at the beginning of this manual.
- WARNINGS, CAUTIONS, NOTES, subject headings, and other important information are highlighted in **BOLD** print as a visual aid.

## **WARNING**

A WARNING indicates a hazard, which can result in death or serious injury.

## **CAUTION**

A CAUTION is a reminder of safety practices or directs attention to usage practices that may result in damage to equipment.

## NOTE

A NOTE is a statement containing information that will make the procedures easier to perform.

- Statements and words of particular importance are printed in CAPITAL LETTERS to create emphasis.
- Instructions are located with illustrations that show the specific task on which the operator is working.
- Dashed leader lines used in illustrations indicate that called out items are not visible (i.e. they are located within the structure). Dashed leader lines in the Lubrication Chart indicate that lubrication is required on BOTH sides of the equipment.
- Technical instructions include metric units in addition to standard units. A metric conversion chart is provided on the inside back cover.
- An alphabetical index is provided at the end of the manual to assist in locating information not readily found in the Table of Contents.

## FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES WHEN YOU USE THIS MANUAL:

- Read through this manual and become familiar with its contents before attempting to operate or maintain the truck.
- A Warning Summary is provided
- the beginning of this manual and should be read before attempting to operate or maintain the truck.

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# CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION WITH THEORY OF OPERATION

#### SCOPE

- Type of Manual. This manual is for use in operating and maintaining the M915A3 Tractor Truck.
- 2. <u>Equipment Name and Model Number</u>. Truck, Tractor, Line Haul: 52,000 GVWR, 6X4, M915A3.
- 3. **Purpose of Equipment.** The M915A3 Tractor Truck is a 6 X 4 prime mover of semitrailers used primarily to transport containers, bulk cargo, and petroleum products over primary and secondary roads under worldwide climatic conditions in a military environment.

## MAINTENANCE FORMS, RECORDS, AND REPORTS

Department of the Army forms and procedures used for equipment maintenance will be those prescribed by DA Pam 738-750, *Functional User's Manual for the Army Maintenance Management System (TAMMS)*, as contained in the Maintenance Management Update.

## REPORTING EQUIPMENT IMPROVEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS (EIRs)

If your truck needs improvement, let us know. Send us an EIR. You, the user, are the only one who can tell us what you don't like about your equipment. Let us know why you don't like the design or performance. Put it on an SF Form 368 (*Product Quality Deficiency Report*). Mail it to us at: Commander, U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command, ATTN: AMSTA-LC-CIP-WT, Rock Island, Illinois 61299-7630. We'll send you a reply.

## **CORROSION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (CPC)**

- 1. Corrosion Prevention and Control (CPC) of Army materiel is a continuing concern. It is important that any corrosion problems with this item be reported so that the problem can be corrected and improvements can be made to prevent the problem in future items.
- 2. While corrosion is typically associated with rusting of metals, it can also include deterioration of other materials, such as rubber and plastic. Unusual cracking, softening, swelling, or breaking of these materials may be a corrosion problem.
- 3. If a corrosion problem is identified, it can be reported using SF Form 368 (*Product Quality Deficiency Report*). Use of key words such as "corrosion," "rust," "deterioration," or "cracking" will ensure that the information is identified as a CPC problem. The form should be submitted to the address specified in DA Pam 738-750.

## **OZONE DEPLETING SUBSTANCES (ODS)**

Listing to be provided by requiring activity.

## DESTRUCTION OF ARMY MATERIEL TO PREVENT ENEMY USE

For destruction of Army materiel to prevent enemy use, refer to TM 750-244-6.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION - CONTINUED**

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## PREPARATION FOR STORAGE OR SHIPMENT

For preparation for storage or shipment procedures, refer to TM 9-2320-302-20.

## **WARRANTY INFORMATION**

The vehicle is warranted by Freightliner Corporation in accordance with TB 9-2320-302-15. Warranty starts on the date found in block 23, DA Form 2408-9 in the logbook. Report all defects in material or workmanship to your supervisor, who will take appropriate action.

## NOMENCLATURE CROSS-REFERENCE LIST

COMMON NAME	OFFICIAL NOMENCLATURE
Cold Start System	Ether Quick-Start System
Engine Coolant	Antifreeze, Ethylene Glycol Mixture
Gladhand	Quick Disconnect Coupling
Jake Brake	Engine Brake
Komfort Loc®	Seat Belt Adjustment
TufTrac	Rear Suspension System

## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

## NOTE

Refer to MIL-STD-12D for standard abbreviations.

ABBREVIATION	DEFINITION
AAL	Additional Authorization List
ABS	Anti-Lock Brake System
BII	Basic Issue Items
C	Centigrade or Celsius
CID	Cubic Inch Displacement
cm	Centimeter
COEI	
CWS	Collision Warning System
ECU	Electronic Control Unit
F	Fahrenheit
GCWR	. Gross Combination Weight Rating
GVWR	Gross Vehicle Weight Rating
kg	Kilogram

## **GENERAL INFORMATION - CONTINUED** 0001 00 LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS - CONTINUED **ABBREVIATION DEFINITION** km......Kilometer kph ..... Kilometers per Hour kW.....Kilowatt 1.....Liter lb......Pound lb-ft.....Pound foot lph.....Liters per Hour m......Meter mm ..... Millimeter psi . . . . . Pounds per Square Inch TMDE..... Test, Measurement, and Diagnostic Equipment

## **EQUIPMENT CHARACTERISTICS, CAPABILITIES, AND FEATURES**

## 1. Characteristics.

- a. The M915A3 Tractor Truck is used to transport M871, M872, and M1062 semitrailers on line haul missions.
- b. It has a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of 52,000 lb (23,608 kg) and is equipped with a two-way oscillating, sliding fifth wheel compatible with a two-inch kingpin. Maximum towed load on kingpin is 30,000 lb (13,620 kg).

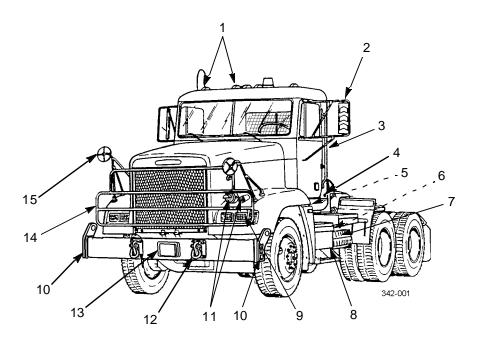
## 2. <u>Capabilities and Features</u>.

- a. While operating on Class I roads, the fully loaded M915A3 can maintain a speed of 65 mph (105 kph) on level roads and 29 mph (47 kph) while ascending a 3 percent grade. It has a minimum turning diameter, curb-to-curb, of 53 ft 9 in (16.4 m).
- b. Average cruising ranges at Gross Combination Weight Rating (GCWR) with a full tank of fuel will vary based on conditions (e.g., varying loads, prolonged idle, and climatic conditions). Cruising range is optimally 400 miles (640 km).
- c. The M915A3 is equipped with an instrument panel mounted speedometer and tachometer which register truck ground speed and engine speed.
- d. The M915A3 has the following capabilities and features:
  - (1) air-activated front and rear non-asbestos cam brakes with a four-channel anti-lock brake system (ABS) to provide significantly improved handling and braking during emergency stops
  - operation in temperatures from  $-25^{\circ}F$  ( $-32^{\circ}C$ ) to  $+125^{\circ}F$  ( $+52^{\circ}C$ ), and to  $-40^{\circ}F$  ( $-40^{\circ}C$ ) with arctic kit installed
  - (3) start and climb capability of a 20 percent grade at GCWR in both forward and reverse directions
  - (4) fording capability up to 20 in (51 cm) deep for 5 minutes without damage or requiring maintenance before operations can continue
  - (5) two-passenger aluminum corrosion-proof cab with a 90 degree tilt-forward hood for service accessibility
  - (6) six cylinder, 12.7 liter, 430 horsepower, in-line turbocharged diesel engine built by Detroit Diesel
  - (7) Allison HD 4560P six-speed automatic transmission

# EQUIPMENT CHARACTERISTICS, CAPABILITIES, AND FEATURES - CONTINUED

- (8) Collision Warning System (CWS) that warns the driver of potentially dangerous driving situations by activating visual and audible alerts.
- e. When operating in arctic conditions, the M915A3 can be equipped with an arctic heater mounted under the cab, above the battery box. This provides heat for the cab and engine cooling system. The arctic heater may be operated prior to starting the engine to provide preheating of engine block.

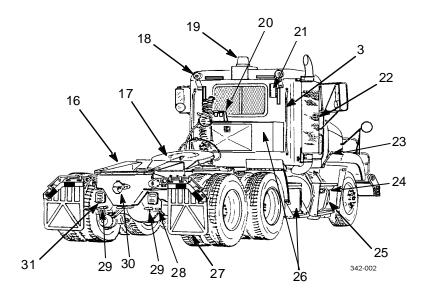
## LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR COMPONENTS



## LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR COMPONENTS - CONTINUED

Key	Component	Description
1	Marker Clearance Lights	Indicate outline of truck.
2	Side Mirrors (Heated)	Provide driver with a view of sides of truck and semitrailer, if towing.
3	Grabhandles	Provide a hand hold for personnel climbing on truck.
4	Utility Power Receptacle	Supplies power for work lights. Located on both sides of truck.
5	Air Horn	Provides an audible alert.
6	Master Battery Switch	Connects batteries to vehicle electrical system.
7	Spare Wheel and Tire	Extra wheel and tire used in case of a flat tire.
8	Battery Box and Steps	Holds vehicle batteries and provides steps to access cab.
9	Front Service Lights	Include headlights and turn signals.
10	Bumper Extensions	Provide adjustable attachment point for slings.
11	Blackout Lights	Used during blackout conditions. Include marker and drive lights.
12	Towing Eyes	Provide attachment points for towing device.
13	CWS Antenna	Forward looking collision warning system antenna.
14	Brush Guard	Protects front of hood and components under hood from damage.
15	Spotting Mirrors	Provide added visibility to sides and front of truck.

## LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR COMPONENTS - CONTINUED



Key	Component	Description
3	Grabhandles	Provide a hand hold for personnel climbing on truck.
16	Ramp	Sloped surface serves as an approach to fifth wheel and facilitates coupling of semitrailer.
17	Fifth Wheel	Coupling device for semitrailers with kingpins.
18	Utility Lights	Illuminate area in back of cab. There is one light on each side of cab.
19	Strobe Warning Light	Strobe light alerts other vehicles of presence of truck.
20	Intervehicular Receptacles Installation	Contains 12-volt commercial, 24-volt military, and trailer ABS receptacles.
21	Antenna Mount	Mount for radio antenna.
22	Exhaust Muffler	Deadens noise of engine exhaust.
23	Hood Latch	Locks hood closed. Located on both sides of hood.

## **EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION AND DATA - CONTINUED**

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## LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR COMPONENTS - CONTINUED

Key	Component	Description
24	CWS Side Sensor	Side looking collision warning system sensor.
25	Fuel Tank	Holds fuel. Steps mounted to tank provide access to cab.
26	Storage Boxes	Provide stowage area for BII and other items.
27	Mud Flaps	Prevent water and debris from spraying up on passers by or towed semitrailer.
28	Blackout Lights	Used during blackout conditions.
29	Trailer Gladhands	Provide air supply for trailer brakes.
30	Pintle Hook	Coupling device for trailers with lunettes.
31	Taillights	Contain composite tail, stop, backup, and turn signal lights.

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EQUIPMENT DATA		
Dimensions:		
Length (Overall)	276.0 in (701 cm)	
Height (Overall)	118 in (300 cm)	
Width (Overall)	100 in (254 cm)	
Wheelbase	162 in (411 cm)	
Ground Clearance	9 in (23 cm)	
Angle of Approach	27°	
Weights:		
Curb	19,080 lb (8662 kg)	
GVWR	52,000 lb (23,608 kg)	
GCWR	105,000 lb (46,670 kg)	
Front Axle (Loaded)	12,000 lb (5448 kg)	
Rear Axle (Loaded)	40,000 lb (18,160 kg)	
Capacities:		
Engine Oil (Refill w/Filters)	41 qt (38.81 l)	
Cooling System	65 qt (61.5 l)	
Fuel Tank	100 gal. (378.5 l)	
Power Steering Reservoir	2 qt (1.9 l)	
Transmission	51 qt (48 l)	
Rear Axle (Forward/Rear)	13/14.5 qt (12.3/13.7 l)	
Engine:		
Manufacturer	Detroit Diesel	
Type	4-stroke, in-line	
	turbocharged diesel	
Model	DDEC IV	
Cylinders	6	
Displacement	755 CID (12.7 l)	
Torque @ 1200 rpm	1400 lb-ft (1898 N·m)	
Maximum Horsepower @ 2100 rpm	430 (320.6 kW)	
Maximum Governed Speed	2100 rpm	
Oil Filter Type	2 full flow,	
	replaceable elements	
Oil Filter Quantity	2	

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION AND DATA - CONTINUED	0002 00	
EQUIPMENT DATA - CONTINUED		
Fuel System:		
Type Fuel Filter Type	diesel fuel injected 1 primary, 1 secondary	
A. G	replaceable element	
Air Cleaner:  Type  Quantity	dry element 1	
Cooling System:		
Radiator Working Pressure	10 psi (69 kPa) 1 replaceable element	
Type Batteries:	dual 12/24 volt	
Quantity	4 12 volt	
Transmission:		
Manufacturer  Model  Type  Shift Selector	Allison HD 4560P 6-speed automatic pushbutton	
Front Axle:		
Manufacturer Type Rated Capacity Maximum Steering Angle	Rockwell I-beam, FF961 12,000 lb (5448 kg) 32°	
Rear Axle (Tandem):		
Manufacturer Rated Capacity Ratio. Inter-axle Differential	Rockwell, RT 40-145P 38,000 lb (17,252 kg) 4.44:1 bevel gear	
Traction Control	air controlled	

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION AND DATA - CONTINUED	0002 00	
EQUIPMENT DATA - CONTINUED		
Brake System:		
Actuation	air-mechanical 60-120 psi (414-827 kPa)	
Service	2 on front axle 4 on forward-rear and rear-rear axles	
ABS (Anti-Lock Brake System):		
Type	4-channel front axle and rear-rear axle	
Wheels:		
Size	22.5 x 8.25 in	
Number of Studs/Stud Size	10/1.125 in	
Tires:		
Type	tubeless, radial	
a:	on-highway	
Size	11R22.5	
Ply Rating	14PR H	
Load Range	11	
Front	105 psi (724 kPa) 100 psi (690 kPa) 105 psi (724 kPa)	
Steering:		
Manufacturer	TRW single gear	
Actuation	hydraulic power booster	
Power Steering Pump	Eaton B165R	
Turning Diameter	53 ft 9 in (16.4 m)	
Type Tilt Range Telescoping Range	tilt, telescoping 15° 2 5/8 in (67 mm)	
Suspension:		
Front	Single Leaf Spring w/Shock Absorbers	
Rear	TufTrac w/ Shock Absorbers	

## **EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION AND DATA - CONTINUED** 0002 00 **EQUIPMENT DATA - CONTINUED Towing Attachments:** Pintle Hook: Holland No. 760 30 tons (27.2 metric tons) **Towing Eyes:** 2 front, 2 rear Maximum Load Capacity, Each..... 60,000 lb (27,240 kg) (Up to 45 ° Angle Front Long. Axis) Fifth Wheel: Manufacturer ..... Holland 36 in (91.4 cm) diameter, 2-way oscillating, low lube 30,000 lb (13,620 kg) 52 in (132.1 cm) Height (Empty)..... 15/10° Pitch (Fwd/Aft)..... Kingpin Size..... 2 in (5.1 cm) Cab: Freightliner Construction..... aluminum 2-passenger, Type..... tilt-forward hood adjustable Accessories: 2 fixed, top rear of cab Air Horn....... 1. under cab Military Load Classification: 8 Vehicle w/Trailer: M871 ..... 14/35 (unloaded/loaded) M872 ..... 14/46 (unloaded/loaded) M1062 ..... 11/34

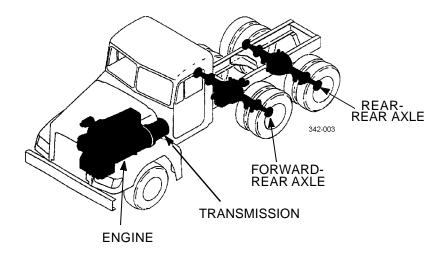
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## INTRODUCTION

- The M915A3 Tractor Truck consists of the following functional systems: drive train, fuel system, exhaust system, cooling system, electrical system, air system, brake system, steering system, traction control system, suspension system, air conditioning system, and collision warning system.
- 2. This work package explains how the components and systems of the M915A3 work together. A functional description is provided for each major component and system.

## **DRIVE TRAIN**

The drive train of the M915A3 consists of a Detroit Diesel, DDEC IV engine and an Allison 6-speed automatic transmission connected to RT 40-145P rear tandem axles.

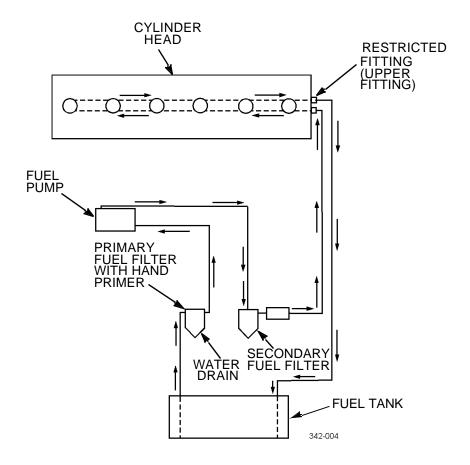


## **FUEL SYSTEM**

- 1. Fuel to power the engine is pumped out of the fuel tank by an engine-mounted fuel pump. The engine fuel system consists of one electronic unit injector per cylinder, a transfer pump, low-pressure fuel lines, and primary and secondary fuel filters.
- 2. The engine is governed by an electronic control system. The system controls idle speed and limits engine maximum speed. The driver controls engine speed through the position of the electronic throttle position sensor (foot pedal).
- 3. Fuel filters are spin-on types. The primary fuel filter has a hand fuel primer pump and a water drain.
- 4. Fuel may be drained from the tank through the drain port located on the bottom of the tank.
- 5. There is a computer-controlled ether quick-start system for use in cold weather.

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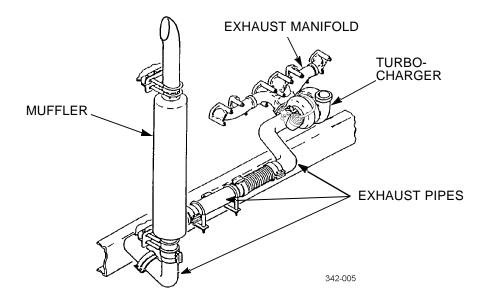
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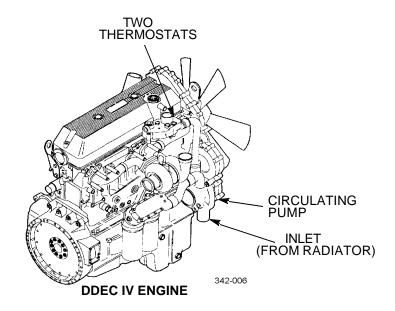
### **EXHAUST SYSTEM**

The exhaust system removes exhaust gases from the engine through the exhaust manifold and turbocharger. The gases flow into exhaust pipes and a muffler to the atmosphere above the cab.



#### **COOLING SYSTEM**

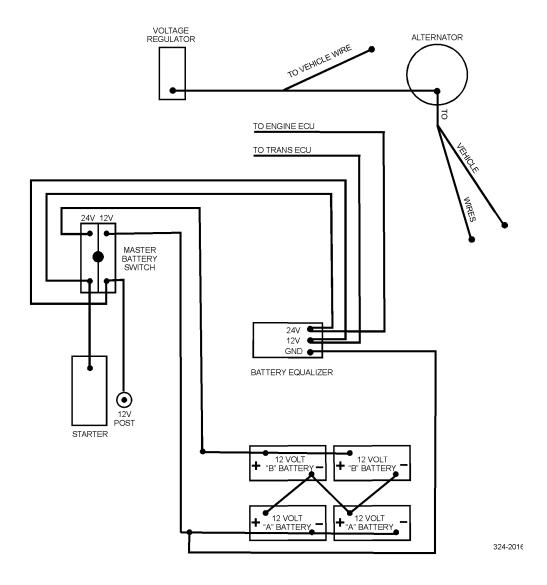
The cooling system consists of one circulating pump, a remote-mounted coolant filter, two 180°F (82°C) thermostat for controlling fluid flow, a transmission oil cooler, a radiator, and a belt-driven fan. The cooling system cools the engine by circulating pressurized ethylene glycol based coolant through the engine and radiator.



#### **ELECTRICAL SYSTEM**

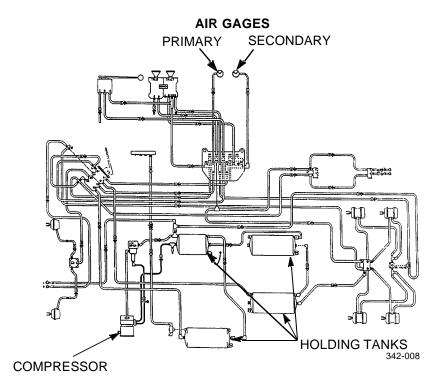
- 1. Four 12-volt batteries connected in series-parallel supply the 12-volt electrical system and provide 24 volts for the starter motor, blackout lights, accessories, and trailer connectors.
- 2. The Dual Voltage Alternator Control (DUVAC), mounted on the firewall in the engine compartment, regulates the distribution of 12 and 24 volts.

### **ELECTRICAL SYSTEM - CONTINUED**



#### AIR SYSTEM

The air system consists of the air compressor, air dryer, air reservoirs, and various air lines. Also included in the air system are air pressure gages, located on the instrument panel, for monitoring air pressure for safe operation of all air-operated components of the vehicle.



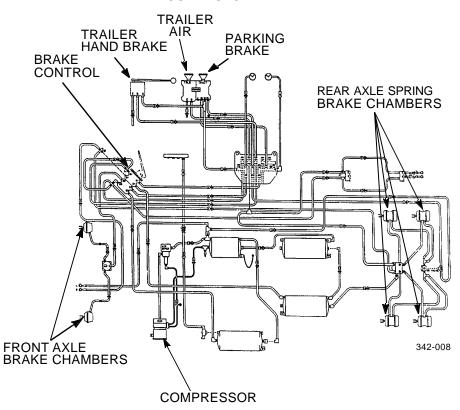
#### **BRAKE SYSTEM**

- 1. The dual air brake system consists of two independent air brake systems that use a single set of brake controls. Each system has its own reservoirs, plumbing, and brake chambers. The primary system operates the service brakes on the rear axle and the secondary system operates the service brakes on the front axle. On tractor-trailer configurations, service brake signals from both systems are sent to the trailer.
- 2. Loss of air pressure in the primary system causes the rear service brakes to become inoperative. Front brakes will continue to be operated by secondary system air pressure. In addition, trailer brakes will be operated by the secondary system. Loss of secondary system air pressure causes the front axle brakes to become inoperative. Rear service brakes and trailer brakes will be operated by the primary system.

#### **BRAKE SYSTEM - CONTINUED**

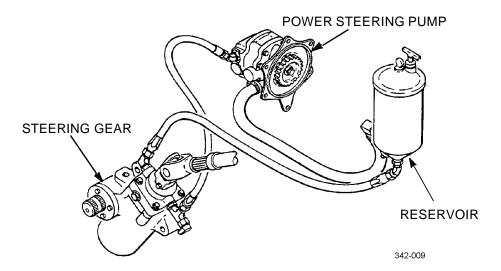
- 3. The warning light and buzzer inside the cab are activated if air pressure drops below 64 psi (441 kPa) in either brake system. If this happens, check air pressure gages to determine which system has low air pressure. Although vehicle speed can be reduced using the foot brake control pedal, either the front or rear service brakes will not operate, resulting in a longer stopping distance. Bring vehicle to a safe stop and have the air system repaired before continuing.
- 4. If the primary brake system becomes inoperative, the spring parking brakes automatically apply when air pressure drops to 35-45 psi (241-310 kPa).
- 5. The vehicle has a four-channel anti-lock brake system (ABS) and cam-operated service brakes with non-asbestos brakeshoes.
- 6. The M915A3 has automatically adjusting slack adjusters. On all axles, brake chambers have a stroke alert indicator which allows the operator to monitor brakeshoe wear.

#### **AIR CONTROLS**



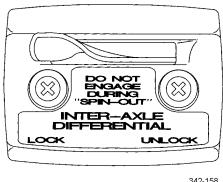
#### STEERING SYSTEM

- 1. The power steering system consists of an integral steering gear (which includes a manual steering mechanism and hydraulic control valve), hydraulic hoses, power steering pump, reservoir, and other components.
- 2. The power steering pump, driven by the engine, provides the power-assist for the steering system.



#### TRACTION CONTROL SYSTEM

The inter-axle differential lock is controlled by the air operated lever labeled INTER-AXLE DIFFERENTIAL on the driver's instrument panel. Under normal driving conditions, the control lever should be in the UNLOCKED position. During poor driving conditions the control lever may be moved to the LOCKED position to improve traction. When the inter-axle differential lock is applied the drive shaft becomes a solid connection between the two rear axles.

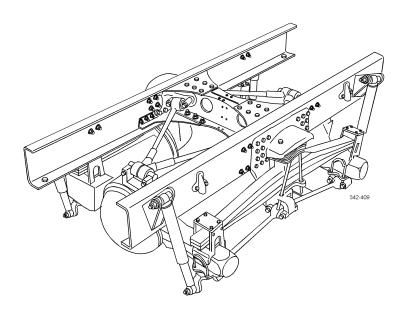


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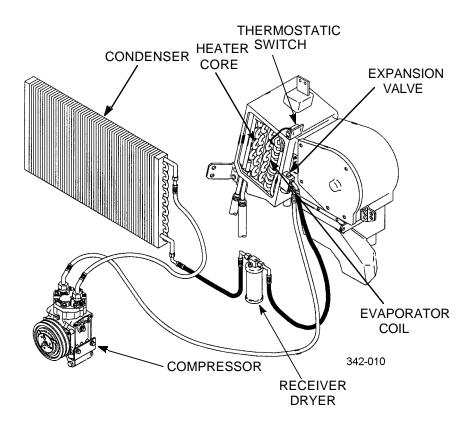
### **REAR SUSPENSION SYSTEM**

The TufTrac rear suspension system consists of two parabolic taper-leaf springs and two shock absorbers per side and an arrangement of torque rods. The suspension system is designed to provide a high degree of ground clearance and articulation while maintaining an equal load over each wheel. Ride characteristics are similar, whether loaded or unloaded.



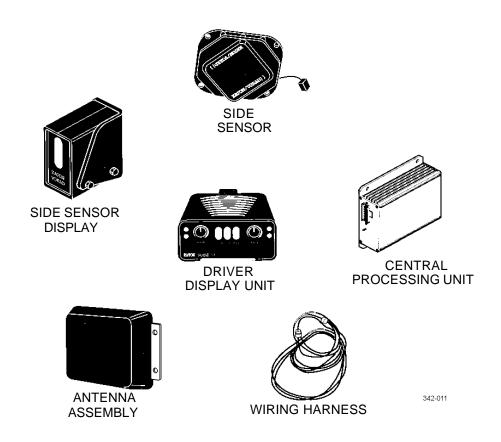
#### AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM

- 1. The air conditioning unit is part of the heater and is mounted under the glove compartment. It is a single unit consisting of a heater core, air conditioning evaporator coil, blower motor, control valves, and air ducts.
- 2. The system is turned on by the mode control lever on instrument panel in cab. The four-speed blower switch controls flow rate.
- 3. An even cab temperature is maintained by controlling the coolant flow through the heater core, or refrigerant flow through the evaporator coil.



### **COLLISION WARNING SYSTEM (CWS)**

- 1. The CWS consists of an antenna assembly, central processing unit, driver display unit, side sensor, side sensor display, and wiring harness.
- 2. The CWS is a forward and side looking radar system that transmits and receives signals reflected off of objects to the front and side of the tractor.
- 3. The forward looking antenna assembly determines distance, azimuth, and approximate speed of vehicle forward of the tractor.
- 4. The side sensor detects vehicles or objects from two to ten feet, moving or stationary, alongside the tractor.



# CHAPTER 2 OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

### TM 9-2320-302-10

### DESCRIPTION AND USE OF OPERATOR'S CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

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#### **GENERAL**

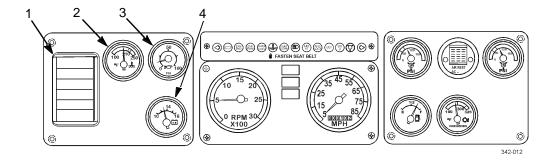
Do not attempt to operate the M915A3 until becoming familiar with the location and use of all controls and indicators. This work package describes all operator controls and indicators.

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#### **INSTRUMENT PANEL**

### 1. <u>Instrument Cluster</u>.

a. Left Gage Panel.



Key	Control or Indicator	Function
1	Air Vent	Vents air into cab from heater/ventilator/defroster and air conditioner, if equipped. Louvered openings are adjustable.
2	Engine Water Temperature Gage	Registers engine coolant temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Normal range is in green band, 190-210°F (88-99°C). If needle goes into yellow band, 210-215°F (99-120°C), or red band, 216-250°F (102-121°C), stop and investigate cause.
3	Engine Oil Pressure Gage	Registers engine oil pressure in psi (kPa). Normal pressure at rated speed (1200 rpm) is 50-70 psi (345-483 kPa). Pressure at idle speed (600 rpm) is 15 psi (100 kPa) minimum.

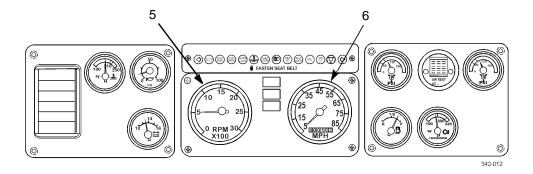
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Key	Control or Indicator	Function	
4	Voltmeter	Indicates rate of battery charge or discharge in volts.	
		<ul> <li>(a) RED BAND. Below 11 volts indicates a possible malfunction. Stop and report problem to Unit Maintenance.</li> </ul>	
		(b) YELLOW BAND. 11-12 volts indicates batteries are undercharged. Turn off all electrical circuits, if possible, and run engine at highest rpm permitted for existing conditions. If reading is still not in green band, notify Unit Maintenance.	
		(c) GREEN BAND. 13-15 volts indicates normal operating range.	
		(d) RED BAND. Above 15 volts indicates batteries are being overcharged. Notify Unit Maintenance.	

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### **INSTRUMENT PANEL - CONTINUED**

### b. Center Gage Panel.

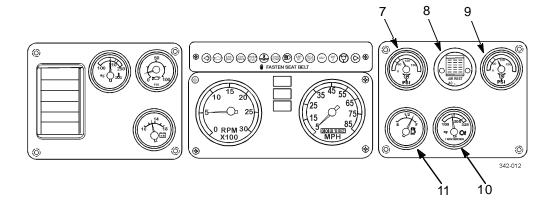


Key	Control or Indicator	Function
5	Tachometer	Registers engine speed in rpm. Maximum governed speed is 2100 rpm. Idle speed is 600 rpm.
6	Speedometer/ Odometer	Registers vehicle ground speed in mph/kph (speedometer) and distance traveled (seven-digit odometer) in miles.

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### **INSTRUMENT PANEL - CONTINUED**

c. Right Gage Panel.

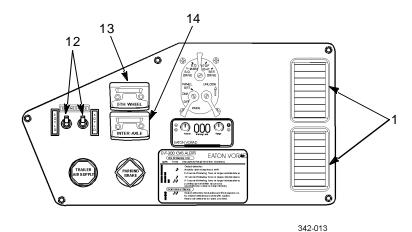


Key	Control or Indicator	Function
7	Primary Air Pressure Gage	Registers air pressure (in psi) in rear brake system. Normal operating range is 90-120 psi (621-827 kPa).
8	Air Cleaner Restriction Indicator Gage	Indicates air cleaner air flow is adequate if gage is clear. If restricted, indicator window will show up to 20 inches of water. Push yellow reset button to reset after air cleaner has been serviced.
9	Secondary Air Pressure Gage	Registers air pressure (in psi) in front brake system. Normal operating range is 90-120 psi (621-827 kPa).
10	Transmission Oil Temperature Gage	Indicates oil temperature in transmission. Normal range in green band is 100-300°F (38-149°C). If needle goes into yellow band or red band, stop and investigate cause.
11	Fuel Gage	Indicates amount of fuel in fuel tank when ignition switch is turned ON.

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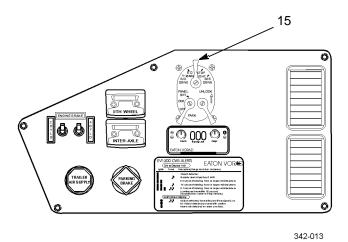
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#### 2. Upper Right Dash Panel.



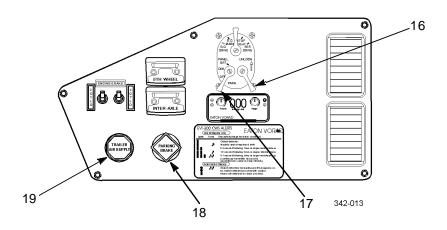
Key **Control or Indicator Function** Vents air into cab from heater/ventilator/defroster Air Vent and air conditioner. Louvered openings are adjustable. 12 Engine (Jake) Brake Select number of engine cylinders desired for braking Selection Switches action (two, four, or six cylinders). Turn on left switch for two cylinders, right switch for four cylinders, and both switches for all six cylinders. 13 Fifth Wheel Slide Permits repositioning of sliding fifth wheel from inside cab. LOCK position deactivates control valve and locks fifth wheel to baseplate. UNLOCK position activates control valve to allow changes to total length of tractor-trailer and changes to axle loads. 14 Inter-axle Lockout Locks and unlocks driveline based on changing Control Valve Lever driving conditions. (a) LOCK. In poor traction conditions, stop vehicle and place lever in LOCK position to lock up driveline. (b) UNLOCK. When conditions are back to normal, move lever to UNLOCK while vehicle is moving.

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Key	Control or Indicator	Function
15	Main Light Switch	<ul> <li>Five-position switch. To engage, mechanical switch must be held in UNLOCK position (up). Switch positions are:</li> <li>(a) BO DRIVE. Same as BO MARKER position, but blackout drive light and trailer circuit also function.</li> <li>(b) BO MARKER. Blackout marker/tail lights and blackout stop lights function. No other lights or electrical horn function.</li> <li>(c) OFF. No lights or electrical horn function.</li> <li>(d) STOP LIGHT. Electrical horn and all separately controlled lights function except blackout stop lights. No marker/tail lights or drive/headlights function.</li> <li>(e) SER DRIVE. Same as STOP LIGHT position, but headlight and "non-blackout" marker/tail lights function.</li> </ul>

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Key	Control or Indicator	Function	
16	Mechanical Switch	<ul> <li>Spring-loaded, two-position switch. Switch positions are:</li> <li>(a) LOCK. Down position prevents movement of main light switch.</li> <li>(b) UNLOCK. Up position enables movement of main light switch. Hold lever in UNLOCK position and move main light switch to desired position.</li> </ul>	
17	Auxiliary Switch	<ul> <li>Four-position switch. Will not function if main light switch is OFF. Switch positions are:</li> <li>(a) PANEL BRT. Bright panel lights function unless main light switch is in OFF, BO DRIVE, or BO MARKER positions.</li> <li>(b) PANEL DIM. Same as PANEL BRT position, but panel lights dimmer switch may dim lights.</li> <li>(c) PANEL OFF. Panel lights do not function.</li> <li>(d) PARK. When main light switch is in SER DRIVE position, headlights are deactivated, leaving all service marker/tail lights functioning.</li> </ul>	

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### DESCRIPTION AND USE OF OPERATOR'S CONTROLS AND INDICATORS - CONTINUED

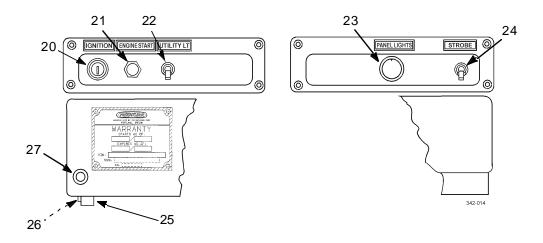
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Key	Control or Indicator	Function
18	Parking Brake Control	Yellow diamond-shaped knob operates parking brake valve. Pull out to apply and push in to release parking brake.
19	Trailer Air Supply Control	Red octagonal-shaped knob supplies air to trailer air reservoirs. Push in to charge trailer air supply and release trailer spring brakes. Pull out to shut off air supply and apply trailer spring brakes.

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### **INSTRUMENT PANEL - CONTINUED**

### 3. <u>Lower Control Panel</u>.



Key	Control or Indicator	Function
20	Ignition Switch	Operates gages/switches/sending units, instrument panel lights, and engine start. Turn key in switch clockwise to ON position. Turn key counterclockwise to activate accessories. Turn key to center vertical position to turn all systems OFF.
21	Engine Start Button	Press to energize starter solenoid. Release button as soon as engine starts.
22	Utility Light Switch	ON/OFF toggle switch controls utility lights mounted on back of cab. Up position is ON. Down position is OFF.
23	Panel Lights Control Knob	Brightens or dims instrument panel lights. Turn clockwise to brighten and counterclockwise to dim. Turn fully counterclockwise to shut off panel lights.
24	Strobe Light Switch	ON/OFF toggle switch controls strobe warning light on top of vehicle. Up position is ON. Down position is OFF.

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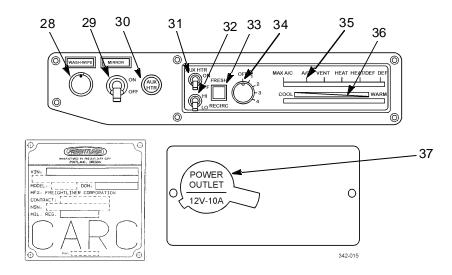
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Key	Control or Indicator	Function
25	TMDE Connector	Used to connect TMDE to fault isolate engine, ABS, CWS, and transmission.
26	Connector	Not used.
27	Check Engine (CHK ENG) Button	Used by maintenance personnel for engine diagnostic purposes <u>ONLY</u> .

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### **INSTRUMENT PANEL - CONTINUED**

### 4. Lower Right Dash Panel.



Key	Control or Indicator	Function
28	Wiper/Washer Control	Turns windshield wipers on/off. Clockwise is ON. Counterclockwise is OFF. To wash windshield, press knob in to spray water and to turn wipers on.
29	Mirror Heat Switch	ON/OFF toggle switch controls mirror heat for defrosting.
30	Auxiliary Heater Indicator Light (if equipped)	Lights up when arctic heater burner is lit.
31	Auxiliary Heater Control Switch (if equipped)	Operates arctic heater. Positions are ON and OFF. When set to ON, a green light integrated into switch is illuminated.
32	HI-LO Switch (if equipped)	Controls rate of heating for arctic heater. If set at HI, heater burner will go on when coolant temperature at inlet to heater is 167°F (75°C). LO is suitable for standby operation.

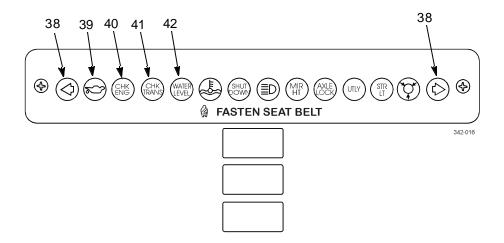
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Key	Control or Indicator	Function
33	FRESH/RECIRC Air Button	Allows A/C, VENT, and HEAT modes to be used with recirculated or fresh air. When mode control lever is at HEAT/DEF or DEF, system draws in fresh air regardless of button setting. When MAX A/C is selected, system draws recirculated air regardless of button setting.
34	Fan Switch	Controls four-speed fan. Positions are OFF, 1, 2, 3, and 4. Position 4 is maximum fan speed.
35	Mode Control Lever	Allows selection of modes of operation. Modes are MAX A/C, A/C, VENT, HEAT, HEAT/DEF, and DEF. Lever must be set to HEAT for arctic heater to operate.
36	Temperature Control Lever	Allows selection of a full range of temperatures from COOL to WARM.
37	12V Utility Outlet	Provides 12V power for connection of utility equipment such as a work light.

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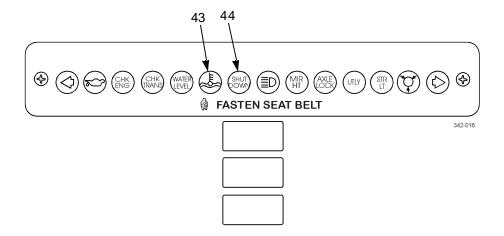
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### 5. <u>Indicator and Warning Lamps</u>.



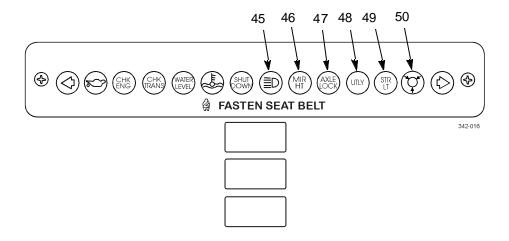
Key	Control or Indicator	Function
38	Turn Signal Indicators	Left/right green light flashes whenever outside turn signal lights are flashing. Both lights flash when fourway flashers are on.
39	Engine Oil Warning Light	Red light comes on and warning buzzer sounds when engine oil pressure is below 5 psi (34 kPa). When operating in blackout mode, only warning buzzer will sound.
40	Check Engine (CHK ENG) Light	Yellow light comes on for approximately five seconds when ignition switch is turned on. Light stays on if there is an engine malfunction.
41	Check Transmission (CHK TRANS) Warning Light	Red light comes on and a warning buzzer sounds when transmission temperature reaches 325°F (163°C). When operating in blackout mode, only warning buzzer will sound.
42	Water Level Light	Red light comes on and a warning buzzer sounds when engine coolant system level requires fluid. When operating in blackout mode, only warning buzzer will sound.

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Key	Control or Indicator	Function
43	Engine Temperature Warning Light	Red light comes on and a warning buzzer sounds when engine coolant temperature is above 225°F (106°C). When operating in blackout mode, only warning buzzer will sound.
44	SHUT DOWN Light	Red light comes on for approximately five seconds when ignition switch is turned on. Light stays on when problems such as low oil pressure, low coolant, or overheating occur in engine, making it unsafe for further operation.

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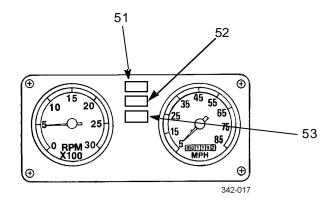


Key	Control or Indicator	Function
45	High Beam Indicator Light	Green light comes on when high beam headlights are on.
46	Mirror Heater (MIR HT) Indicator Light	Amber light comes on when mirror heater (defroster) is turned ON.
47	AXLE LOCK Light	Amber light comes on when inter-axle differential lockout/all-wheel drive control valve lever is set to LOCK/ENGAGE position.
48	Utility (UTLY) Light	Amber light comes on when utility lights are turned ON.
49	Strobe Light (STR LT)	Strobe light comes on when strobe light switch is turned ON.
50	Low Air Pressure Warning Light	Red light comes on and warning buzzer sounds when air pressure in either section of dual system falls below 65 psi (448 kPa). When operating in blackout mode, only warning buzzer will sound.

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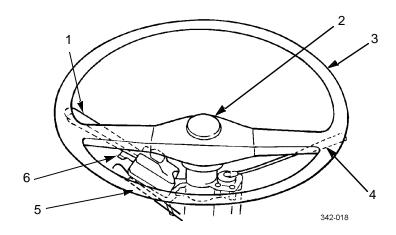
### 6. <u>Indicator and Warning Lamps.</u>



Key	Control or Indicator	Function
51	Parking Brake Indicator Light	Red light comes on when parking brake is activated.
52	Tractor ABS (TRAC ABS) Indicator Light	Red light comes on when ignition is turned ON. Light goes out after 4 second self-test if ABS components are working.
53	Trailer ABS Indicator Light	When trailer ABS electrical cable is connected, red light comes on when ignition is turned ON. Light goes out after 4 second self-test if ABS components are working.

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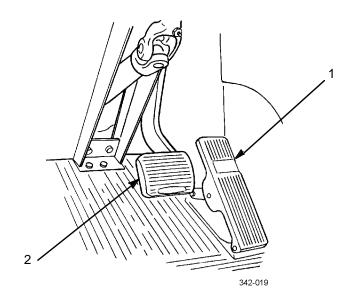
### STEERING WHEEL AND COLUMN-MOUNTED CONTROLS



Key	Control or Indicator	Function
1	Turn Signal Lever/ Headlight Dimmer Switch	Move lever forward for right turn signal, rearward for left turn signal, and center for off. Lift end of turn signal lever to turn on high beams. Lift lever again to turn high beams off.
2	Electric Horn	Push to activate. Use instead of air horn in normal city driving.
3	Steering Wheel	Turn clockwise to turn vehicle right and counterclockwise to turn vehicle left.
4	Trailer Brake Hand Control Valve Lever	When pulled rearward, activates trailer brakes.
5	Steering Wheel Adjustment Control Lever	Push down on lever to change tilt of steering column and wheel. Release lever to lock tilt adjustment in position. To adjust height of steering wheel, pull up on lever. Release lever to lock height adjustment in position.
6	Hazard Signal Switch	Located under the turn signal. Move switch out (left) to activate hazard lights. Move turn signal lever forward or rearward to deactivate hazard lights.

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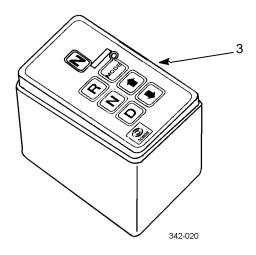
### **CAB FLOOR MOUNTED CONTROLS**



Key	Control or Indicator	Function
1	Accelerator Pedal	Depress to increase engine speed. Release to decrease engine speed.
2	Brake Pedal	Depress to apply service brakes on truck and, if properly coupled to a trailer, trailer service brakes. Release to release service brakes.

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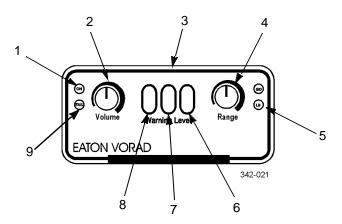


Key	Control or Indicator	Function
3	Transmission Pushbutton Shift Selector	Shifts automatic transmission. Range select positions are R (Reverse), N (Neutral), and D (Drive). In D, selection of a specific gear can be accomplished by pressing up or down arrow buttons; shifting can also be done automatically. MODE button and arrows are for selection of 6th gear and Unit Maintenance functions.

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### **COLLISION WARNING SYSTEM (CWS)**

### 1. **Driver's Display Unit.**



Key	Control or Indicator	Function
1	Green, Power On	Illuminates after power is applied to the system and the power-on LED test is complete.
2	Volume Control and Power On/Off	When pushed in until a distinctive click is heard and/ or felt, turns the power ON or OFF. Adjusts the volume of the driver display unit speaker. Activates "Failure Display Mode" blink codes when the knob is pressed and held for five seconds and released.
3	Speaker	Located under the top cover of the driver display unit. Sounds audible tones to alert the driver of a possible hazard. May be set to limit the volume to a minimum level.

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### **COLLISION WARNING SYSTEM (CWS) - CONTINUED**

Key	Control or Indicator	Function
4	Range Control and Accident Recorder Selection	When rotated, this control provides detection range adjustment of the first alert between 3 and 2.125 seconds. Function may be configured to prevent range adjustment control. Accident Reconstruction is initiated by pushing and holding this knob for 5 seconds thereby freezing the most recent data in half of the allocated memory.
5	Light Sensor	Photo sensor that senses ambient lighting and adjusts intensity of the indicator lights accordingly (i.e., increases brightness of indicator lights in daytime and decreases brightness of indicator lights at nighttime).
6	Red, Accompanied with Yellow and Orange	This indicator illuminates when an object is detected at <1 second with vehicle opening and no tone with vehicle closing accompanied by audible tones. At a 1/2 second or less following interval opening and closing, the tones are repeated, twice per second.
7	Orange, Accompanied with Yellow	This indicator illuminates when an object is detected within a 3 second interval of vehicle opening or closing, 1 to 2 seconds following interval with vehicle opening and no tone, and 1 to 2 seconds following interval with vehicle closing accompanied by a tone.
8	Yellow	This indicator illuminates when an object is detected within the system's maximum range. Maximum range is 350 feet on straight roads and is reduced on curved roads by the road turn radius. It also illuminates when the proximity alarm threshold is crossed.
9	Red, System Failure	Lights when a problem has been detected in the forward looking radar system. A pattern of flashes blink out the faults that are stored in memory when activated by holding in the volume control knob for five seconds.

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### **COLLISION WARNING SYSTEM (CWS) - CONTINUED**

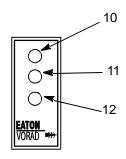
**Table 1. Miscellaneous Tones.** 

Light/Tones	Description
Fail, One Low Tone	Sounded when the system diagnostics detect a failure.
One Tone	Each time the volume control is turned a single tone is sounded.

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### **COLLISION WARNING SYSTEM (CWS) - CONTINUED**

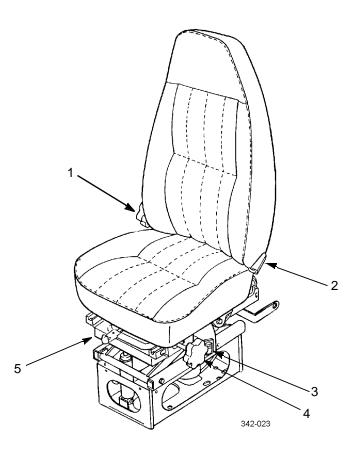
### 2. Side Sensor Display.



Key	Control or Indicator	Function
10	Red, Vehicle Detected	Indicator light that illuminates after objects have been detected by the side sensor. When the right turn signal is activated and the side sensor detects an object, the red indicator light comes on and the driver display unit speaker sounds a double tone. The tone is sounded only once per activation of the turn signal. Lights if a failure of the side sensor occurs and if the criteria for heavy rain is met.
11	Light Sensor	Photo sensor that senses ambient light and adjusts intensity of the indicator lights accordingly (i.e., increases brightness of indicator lights in daytime and decreases brightness of indicator lights at nighttime).
12	Yellow, No Vehicle Detected	Indicator light stays on when no objects are detected by the side sensor.
10/ 12	Red and Yellow	Indicates the side sensor is temporarily unable to detect objects in heavy rain.

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# **SEAT CONTROLS**



Key	Control or Indicator	Function	
1	Lumbar Adjustment Knob	Controls lumbar support in seat. Rotate knob forward to increase and rearward to decrease lumbar support.	
2	Seat Back Adjust- ment Lever	Adjusts seat back angle. Apply or remove pressure from seat back and hold lever rearward to adjust.	

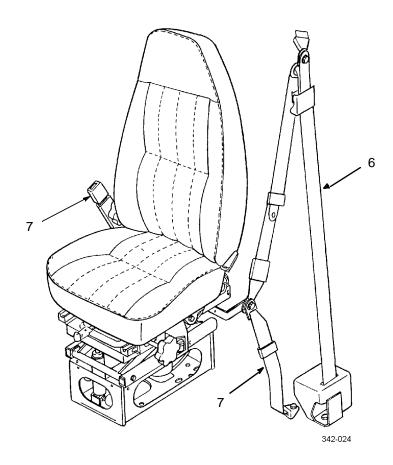
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# **SEAT CONTROLS - CONTINUED**

Key	Control or Indicator	Function		
3	Seat Height Adjustment Control Valve Lever	Vehicle air pressure must be above 60 psi (414 kPa) to operate lever. Push lever up to raise seat and down to lower seat.		
4	Seat Cushion Tilt Adjustment Knob	Rotate knob to increase or decrease seat tilt.		
5	Fore and Aft Seat Adjustment Lever	Three-position lever moves seat forward or backward. Right position locks seat in place. Moving lever all the way left adjusts seat. Traveling position is center position which provides a shock-absorbing effect.		

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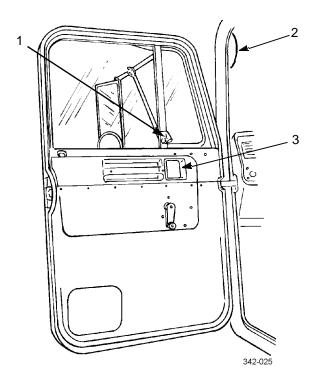
# **SEAT CONTROLS - CONTINUED**



Key	Control or Indicator	Function	
6	Seat Belt	Three-point belt locks into tether belt.	
7	Tether Belt	Adjustable belt located on both sides of seat.	

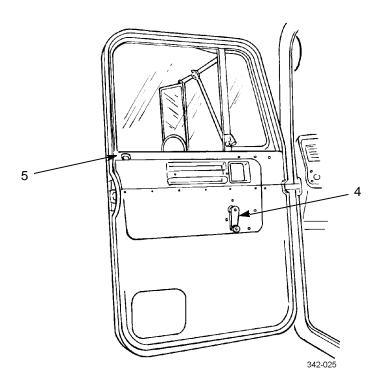
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# ADDITIONAL CONTROLS AND INDICATORS



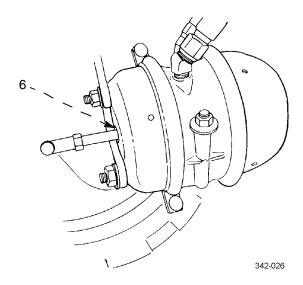
Key	Control or Indicator	Function	
1	Cab Vent Window Handle	Push button and raise handle to unlock window. Push out on handle to open window. Pull handle in to close window. Lower handle to lock window.	
2	Air Horn Cable	Pull cable to activate air horn. Release cable to deactivate air horn.	
3	Door Opening Handle	Pull handle to open cab door.	

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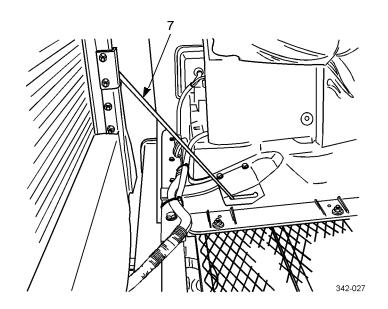
Key	Control or Indicator	Function
4	Door Window Glass Regulator Handle	Turn driver side handle clockwise to lower window and counterclockwise to raise window. Turn passenger side handle counterclockwise to lower window and clockwise to raise window.
5	Door Lock Button	Push button down to lock door. To unlock, either pull door opening handle or unlock from outside with ignition key.

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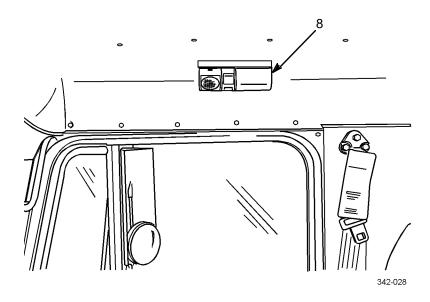
Key	Control or Indicator	Function	
6	Stroke Alert Indicator	Bright orange band painted on service pushrod of all brake chambers. When visible, notify Unit Maintenance to perform stroke adjustment or major brake service.	

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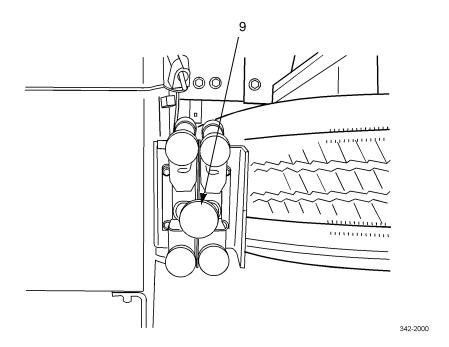
Key	Control or Indicator	Function
7	Hood Prop	When installed, prevents hood from accidentally closing.

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Key	Control or Indicator	Function	
8	Interior Light	Provides interior cab lighting.	

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Key	Control or Indicator	Function
9	Master Battery Switch	Connects batteries to vehicle electrical system. Push in for ON, pull out for OFF.

#### **GENERAL**

# **WARNING**

This vehicle has been designed to operate safely and efficiently within the limits specified in this TM. Operation beyond these limits is prohibited in accordance with AR 70-1 without written approval from: Commander, U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command, ATTN:AMSTA-LC-AF-IM, Warren, MI 48397-5000.

This work package contains instructions for safely operating the M915A3 under usual conditions. Unusual conditions are defined and described in WP 0006 00.

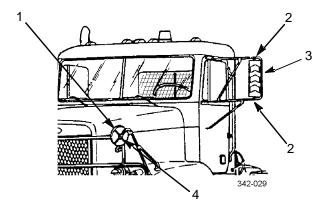
## INITIAL ADJUSTMENTS, DAILY CHECKS, AND SELF-TESTS

- 1. Place master battery switch to ON.
- 2. Perform *Before* operation Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) (Chapter 4, WP 0012 00).
- 3. Change military load classification, if necessary.
- 4. Adjust side mirrors (3) by loosening two nuts (2) and moving side mirror to proper position. Tighten two nuts.

## **CAUTION**

DO NOT attempt to adjust spotter mirrors without loosening screws. Attaching screw may become loose and result in loss of spotter mirror.

5. Adjust spotter mirrors (1) by loosening three screws (4) and moving spotter mirror to proper position. Tighten three screws.



- 6. Occupy and adjust seat.
- 7. Adjust steering wheel.

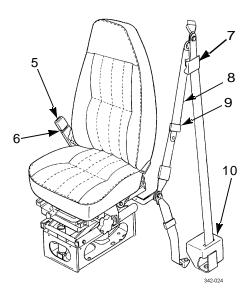
## INITIAL ADJUSTMENTS, DAILY CHECKS, AND SELF-TESTS - CONTINUED

#### **WARNING**

Use of seat belts while operating vehicle is mandatory. Fasten belt BEFORE driving. Trying to fasten three-point seat belt while driving creates a hazard-ous condition. Failure to follow this warning may result in death or injury to personnel.

## 8. Adjust tether belt.

- a. Loosen tether belt (6) and turn buckle (5) at a right angle to webbing. Pull buckle away from inner webbing.
- b. Tighten tether belt (6) to proper tension. Ensure that movement of seat suspension is not restricted.



#### 9. Fasten seat belt.

- a. Slowly pull link (9) out of retractor (10) and across lap far enough to engage buckle (5). If retractor locks too soon, allow belt to retract slightly and then pull slowly.
- b. Push link (9) into buckle (5).
- c. Position shoulder strap (8) diagonally across chest.

## INITIAL ADJUSTMENTS, DAILY CHECKS, AND SELF-TESTS - CONTINUED

### **NOTE**

- If engaging Komfort Loc®, allow no more than 1 in. (2.5 cm) between chest and shoulder strap.
- Komfort Loc® will automatically release if pressure is applied to shoulder strap.
- d. If desired, engage Komfort Loc® (7) by pulling on shoulder strap (8) and pressing Komfort Loc® lever up.
- e. To release seat belt, press release button on buckle (5). If Komfort Loc® (7) was engaged, give shoulder strap (8) a quick downward tug to release.

#### START ENGINE

#### NOTE

Refer to WP 0004 00 for the location of instrument panel controls and indicators.

- 1. Ensure that parking brake is applied.
- 2. Ensure that all accessories are off and engine brake system switches are in OFF (down) position.
- 3. Turn ignition switch to ON position. Low air pressure warning light, PARK BRAKE light (if applied), ABS light(s), and warning buzzer come on. ABS light(s) will go off after passing a four second self-test.
- 4. Ensure that inter-axle lockout control valve lever is in UNLOCK position.

## **CAUTION**

DO NOT operate starter motor for more than 30 seconds at a time. After 30 seconds, allow starter motor to cool for at least two minutes before attempting to start engine again. Excessive heating of starter motor may result in damage or early starter failure.

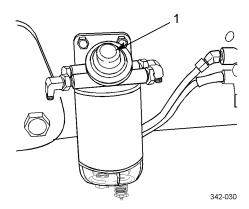
5. Press engine start button.

#### NOTE

Fuel filter/water separator is located in engine compartment behind the leftside frame rail, mounted on the engine block.

#### **START ENGINE - CONTINUED**

6. When engine starts, release engine start button. If engine fails to start, prime fuel system by pumping fuel filter/water separator valve (1) for two minutes. Press engine start button. If engine still fails to start, pump valve for 30 seconds. Press engine start button. If engine still fails to start, notify Unit Maintenance.



## **CAUTION**

DO NOT run engine above idle speed until oil pressure gage indicates at least 15 psi (100 kPa) at idle speed.

- 7. DO NOT run engine above 600 rpm until normal oil pressure, 15 psi (100 kPa), is indicated on engine oil pressure gage.
- 8. Monitor gages and indicators. If after ten seconds there is no indication of oil pressure, shut down engine and perform troubleshooting.

#### **OPERATE TRANSMISSION**

# 1. Transmission Ranges.

a. R (Reverse) is used to back up the vehicle. Vehicle must be brought to a complete stop before shifting from a forward range to R or vice versa. Light on panel will illuminate and the digital display will display R when reverse is attained.

#### CAUTION

DO NOT allow truck to coast in N (Neutral). This can result in severe transmission damage. When in N, engine braking is not available.

#### **OPERATE TRANSMISSION - CONTINUED**

- b. N (Neutral) is the normal transmission position when vehicle is not in use. Use N to start engine, to check vehicle accessories, and for extended periods of engine idling. Light on panel will illuminate and the digital display will display N when transmission is in neutral. Vehicle ECU automatically selects NEUTRAL when starting vehicle.
- c. When placed in D (Drive), the transmission starts out in 1st gear and automatically progresses to the 5th gear. Press mode button then D (Drive) to select 6th gear. During slowdown, transmission automatically downshifts. Light on panel illuminates and the digital display shows the highest forward gear attainable.
  - (1) To select a specific forward gear, press the up or down arrow pushbuttons.

#### NOTE

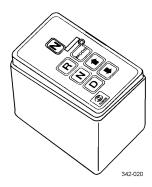
Even when a lower gear is selected, transmission may not downshift until vehicle speed is reduced.

- (2) The digital display shows the selected gear.
- (3) The greater the need for engine power or engine braking power, the lower the gear selection should be.
- (4) Use 2nd or 3rd gears when road, load, or traffic conditions make it preferable to use lower gears.
- (5) 1st gear is the low gear used for pulling through mud, snow, or going up steep grades. This position also offers maximum engine braking power.
- (6) When conditions improve, return vehicle to D (Drive).

#### **OPERATE TRANSMISSION - CONTINUED**

#### 2. **Operation.**

- a. Depress brake pedal and hold.
- b. Release parking brake.
- c. Release trailer brakes, if towing.
- d. Press transmission shift selector pushbutton to desired range.
- e. Release brake pedal and begin to move vehicle.
- f. As required, select a specific forward gear using up or down arrow pushbuttons.



### **DRIVING TIPS**

## WARNING

BE ALERT for personnel in area while operating truck. Always check to ensure area is clear of personnel and obstructions before moving out. Failure to follow this warning may result in serious injury or death to personnel.

## **CAUTION**

Governed speed is 2100 rpm. If engine is allowed to exceed governed speed, serious engine or transmission damage may result.

<u>Check Gages and Indicators Frequently</u>. If gage or indicator shows an abnormal reading or warning light comes on, bring vehicle to a safe stop, shut down engine, and investigate cause.

#### CAUTION

Steering wheel should not be held at full steer for more than 10 seconds. This could result in overheating of oil, loss of oil from power steering reservoir, and pump gear damage.

#### **DRIVING TIPS - CONTINUED**

2. **Avoid Over Steering.** Become familiar with steering characteristics of vehicle before attempting maneuvers in limited space.

# 3. Drive Efficiently and Economically.

- a. Drive at highway speed. Recommended normal highway cruising range is 1800 1900 rpm. If operating on hilly terrain, in high winds, or in other conditions that make it impractical to operate without reserve power, operate vehicle in lower gear.
- b. When slowing for posted speed zones, remain in D (Drive) position and reduce engine rpm.
- c. When driving uphill (under load), proper use of gears shortens time on hills and minimizes amount of shifting. As vehicle starts uphill, press accelerator pedal as required to maintain speed.

#### WARNING

DO NOT use engine brake if road surfaces are slippery. Use of engine brake on wet, icy, or snow-covered roads could result in loss of vehicle control. Failure to follow this warning could result in death or injury to personnel or damage to equipment.

- d. Use engine as a braking force. The vehicle is equipped with an engine braking system that enables the engine to act as a brake. The engine brake should be used for descending grades and is most effective between 1750 2100 rpm.
  - (1) If maximum engine braking is required, move both engine brake selection switches up to engage six cylinders.
  - (2) If less than maximum engine braking is required, move left engine brake selection switch up and right engine brake selection switch down to engage two cylinders, or left engine brake selection switch down and right engine brake selection switch up to engage four cylinders.

## e. When downhill braking:

- (1) Select a gear that allows engine, with engine brake applied, to control vehicle speed with engine rpm at or below 2100 rpm without applying service brakes. As downgrade is approached, progressively select a gear that, when combined with engine brake, allows you to maintain engine speed of 1750 2100 rpm.
- (2) As engine speed exceeds 2100 rpm, use one positive application of service brakes to slow engine speed to 1650 rpm, release engine brake, downshift one gear, and apply engine brake. Repeat this procedure until engine speed can be maintained at 1750 2100 rpm.

#### **DRIVING TIPS - CONTINUED**

## **CAUTION**

Excessive use of service brake to control downhill speed will result in loss of braking power due to heat build-up.

(3) If you experience a total loss of braking due to heat build-up, apply engine brake (six cylinders), upshift as engine speed approaches 2100 rpm, and in (D) Drive position continue to apply engine brake and maintain directional control of vehicle.

#### CAUTION

Care must be exercised if tractor or trailer ABS light comes on while driving, possibly indicating an ABS malfunction. Although the regular/normal vehicle system is still fully operational, you should continue in a safe manner and reduce speed to 40 mph (64 kph), until the mission is complete. When the mission is complete, report to Unit Maintenance to clear the ABS fault and restore full ABS capabilities.

- (4) The anti-lock brake system (ABS) helps in controlling wheel lockup and tire skidding during an emergency.
- 4. Engage Inter-axle Lockout as Required.

## **CAUTION**

DO NOT actuate inter-axle lockout control valve while tires are spinning. DO NOT operate vehicle continuously with inter-axle lockout control valve locked during extended good road conditions. Damage to axle gearing and excessive tire wear could result.

- a. If a difficult stretch of road approaches, stop and inspect it carefully before driving on it. Select transmission gear range that best suits road condition and place interaxle lockout control valve lever in LOCK position.
- b. To lock inter-axle, ease up on accelerator pedal momentarily and move inter-axle lockout control valve lever to LOCK position while maintaining vehicle speed. Proceed over poor road conditions with caution.
- c. To unlock inter-axle, place inter-axle lockout control valve lever in UNLOCK position and remove foot from accelerator.

## **DRIVING**

- 1. Perform initial adjustments, daily checks, and self-tests.
- 2. Start engine and allow truck to warm up.

## **WARNING**

Serious injury may result if head clearance is not adequate while sitting in seat. Before driving or riding in vehicle, ensure there is adequate clearance at maximum upward travel of seat.

- 3. Adjust seat.
- 4. Adjust seat belt.

#### **WARNING**

Ensure that steering wheel adjustment control lever is in locked (neutral) position before driving truck. NEVER try to adjust tilt or height of steering wheel while driving. Failure to follow this warning may cause death or injury to personnel.

- 5. Use steering wheel adjustment control lever to adjust tilt and steering wheel height.
- 6. Turn on lights, as necessary.
- 7. Select transmission gear.

## **WARNING**

When coupled to a semitrailer, DO NOT exceed 35 mph (56 kph) on secondary (gravel) roads. Failure to follow this warning could result in injury.

8. Move truck gradually by depressing accelerator.

## **CAUTION**

During long engine idling periods, engine coolant temperature will fall below normal operating range. The incomplete combustion of fuel in a cold engine will cause crankcase dilution, formation of lacquer or gummy deposits on valves, pistons, and rings, and rapid accumulation of engine sludge.

9. Avoid unnecessary engine idling.

#### **DRIVING - CONTINUED**

#### **NOTE**

- If, during operation, low air pressure warning light comes on, stop vehicle, shut down engine, and investigate cause.
- If tractor or trailer ABS light comes on while driving, vehicle braking system is still operational. Continue to operate vehicle in a safe manner. Notify Unit Maintenance when mission is complete.
- 10. Check gages and indicators frequently.
- 11. Operate engine brakes, as required.
- 12. Operate inter-axle lockout, as required.
- 13. Stop vehicle by applying long even pressure to service brakes. Do not pump brakes.
- 14. After vehicle is at a complete stop, place transmission in N (Neutral) and pull parking brake control knob OUT. Ensure parking brake light comes on.

#### **WARNING**

If vehicle is left with engine running, vehicle can move suddenly causing serious injury or death to personnel or damage to equipment.

- 15. If you must leave vehicle with engine running, DO NOT leave vehicle without doing the following:
  - a. Ensure transmission is in N (Neutral).
  - b. Apply truck parking brake and semitrailer brakes.
  - c. Chock wheels and take any other steps to keep vehicle from moving.

### SHUT DOWN ENGINE

#### CAUTION

Improper engine shutdown could damage turbocharger.

- 1. Run engine at idle for four to five minutes.
- 2. Turn all accessories off and place engine brake system switches in OFF (down) position.
- 3. Move ignition switch to OFF position. Pause 10 seconds before placing master battery switch off.
- 4. Perform After operation PMCS (WP 0012 00).
- 5. Place master battery switch to OFF.

#### OPERATE SLIDING FIFTH WHEEL/COUPLE TO SEMITRAILER

## **CAUTION**

- The M915A3 is designed to be used with M871, M872, and M1062 semitrailers only. Other semitrailers may cause equipment damage.
- Semitrailer must be blocked and semitrailer brakes locked to prevent damage to tractor or semitrailer by uncontrolled sliding of fifth wheel.
- If towing M872 semitrailer, rear mud flaps must be removed and stowed in brackets provided. Failure to do so will cause equipment damage.
- Tractor trucks have the capability to turn greater than 90°. Care must be taken to avoid hitting semitrailer with tractor when turning more than 90°.
- Operator must use caution when cresting hills which cause the tractor truck to have a nose down angle greater than 4° with respect to towed semitrailer. Damage to vehicle or loss of control could occur.

#### **NOTE**

Start position for coupling is with fifth wheel jaws unlocked (open), fifth wheel in LOAD position, and fifth wheel slide control lever in LOCKED position.

1. Block trailer wheels.

#### **WARNING**

DO NOT use trailer handbrake as primary brake to keep tension on coupling system. This will cause undue tension on brakes and coupling which could result in injury to personnel or damage to equipment. Prevent problems with slack in fifth wheel by using good braking habits and adjusting coupling and braking systems properly.

2. Ensure that fifth wheel ramps are level with, or are slightly below, the angle of the pickup ramps.

#### WARNING

Use caution when coupling to semitrailer. BE ALERT for personnel in area. Ensure that hands, arms, and body are clear of potential pinch points. Failure to follow this warning may result in injury to personnel.

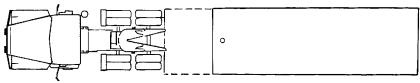
#### CAUTION

Be careful not to run kingpin up fifth wheel ramps as this can damage kingpin and/or fifth wheel.

## OPERATE SLIDING FIFTH WHEEL/COUPLE TO SEMITRAILER - CONTINUED

#### NOTE

- Truck and semitrailer must be aligned.
- Use a ground guide if one is available.



PROPER ALIGNMENT WITH SEMITRAILER

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## **CAUTION**

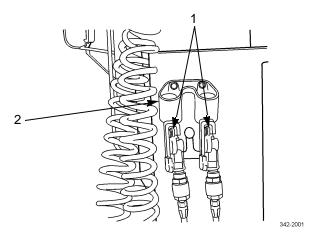
Fifth wheel lube plates and trailer kingpin plate must be clean and free of lubricant prior to coupling. Failure to follow this caution could damage fifth wheel lube plates and/or trailer.

- 3. Slowly back tractor under semitrailer kingpin plate. Stop when kingpin plate is touching guide ramps. Semitrailer kingpin should be centered as closely as possible in throat of fifth wheel.
- 4. Ensure that semitrailer is picked up with fifth wheel ramps. If kingpin comes in too high, it will not engage in fifth wheel correctly. Adjust semitrailer if needed.

## **NOTE**

One 12-volt light cable and one 24-volt light cable are stored in tool box.

5. Remove air hoses (1) from storage bracket (2) and electrical cables from tool box.



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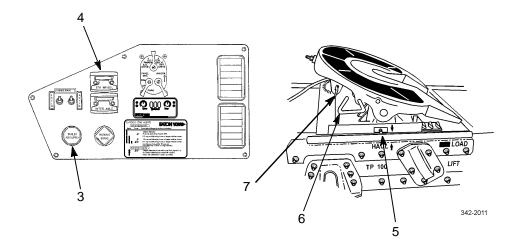
#### OPERATE SLIDING FIFTH WHEEL/COUPLE TO SEMITRAILER - CONTINUED

- 6. Connect air hoses and light cables. Push semitrailer air supply control knob (3) IN, open semitrailer supply valve, and set semitrailer control valve hand brake.
- 7. If semitrailer is ABS-equipped, connect ABS electrical cable.

#### CAUTION

Backing SLOWLY helps to prevent hitting too hard in coupling and damaging kingpin.

- 8. Back up slowly until fifth wheel locks firmly to kingpin.
- 9. Check kingpin connection and fifth wheel slide locks by pulling tractor gently forward against locked semitrailer brakes or blocked wheels. As resistance is felt, select transmission shift selector R (Reverse) pushbutton and gently back tractor to verify fifth wheel slide locks in both directions. When resistance is felt, select transmission shift selector N (Neutral) pushbutton and set parking brake.
- 10. Place fifth wheel slide control lever (4) to UNLOCKED position to release two slide locking plungers (5).
- 11. Drive tractor backward to position 5th wheel in HAUL position.



## **CAUTION**

DO NOT operate vehicle if slide locking plungers are not fully engaged and landing gear is not fully retracted. This could result in damage to tractor, semitrailer, and landing gear.

- 12. Place fifth wheel slide control lever (4) to LOCKED position to engage slide locking plungers. Ensure slide locking plungers (5) engage.
- 13. Verify that primary lock release handle (6) and secondary lock release handle (7) are in.

#### OPERATE SLIDING FIFTH WHEEL/COUPLE TO SEMITRAILER - CONTINUED

- 14. Check semitrailer lights.
- 15. Stow wheel blocks.
- 16. Lift and secure semitrailer landing gear and stow float pads.

#### OPERATE SLIDING FIFTH WHEEL/UNCOUPLE FROM SEMITRAILER

#### WARNING

Use caution when uncoupling from semitrailer. BE ALERT for personnel in area. Ensure that hands, arms, and body are clear of potential pinch points. Failure to follow this warning may result in injury to personnel.

### **NOTE**

- Truck and semitrailer must be aligned.
- Use ground guide if one is available.
- 1. Stop truck and semitrailer.
- 2. Shift transmission into N (Neutral).
- 3. Block wheels as required.
- 4. Pull semitrailer air supply valve (1) OUT.
- 5. Apply parking brake.

### CAUTION

Lower landing gear until a small space can be seen between bottom of trailer and fifth wheel lube plates. Damage will occur if trailer edge drags across fifth wheel lube plates.

- 6. Place float pads under semitrailer landing gear and lower landing gear.
- 7. Set semitrailer hand brake control valve and close semitrailer air supply valve.

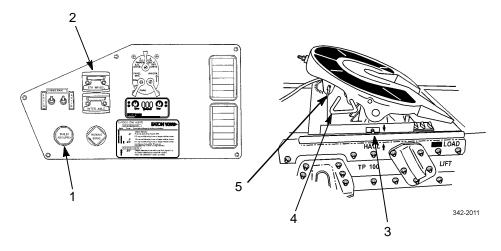
## **CAUTION**

To prevent damage to air hoses and electrical cables between trailer couplings, ensure air hose and cable ends are placed in storage bracket.

- 8. Disconnect and stow semitrailer air supply lines and intervehicular cable.
- 9. If connected, disconnect and stow ABS electrical cable.
- 10. Place fifth wheel slide control lever (2) to UNLOCKED position.
- 11. Drive tractor forward to position fifth wheel from HAUL to LOAD position.
- 12. Place fifth wheel slide control lever (2) to LOCKED position. Ensure slide locking plungers (3) engage.

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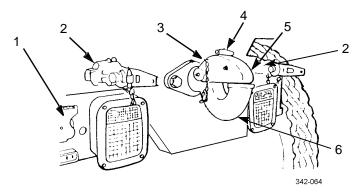
- 13. Pull secondary lock release handle (5) out and lift to engage catch.
- 14. Pull primary lock release handle (4) out.
- 15. Release parking brake and slowly pull forward until semitrailer clears fifth wheel.
- 16. Stop and set parking brake.



## **PINTLE TOWING PROCEDURES**

- 1. Block trailer wheels.
- 2. Remove cotter pin (3), engage latch (4), and lift lock (5) to open position.
- 3. Connect trailer to pintle hook (6).
- 4. Push lock (5) down ensuring latch (4) engages and install cotter pin (3).
- 5. Connect intervehicular electric cable from receptacle (1) on rear of vehicle to trailer.
- 6. Connect air hoses from trailer to quick-disconnect couplings (2) at rear of vehicle.
- 7. Connect safety chains.

# PINTLE TOWING PROCEDURES - CONTINUED



# **WARNING**

Failure to completely turn ON or OFF air cutoff valve will cause loss of brakes on trailer or truck.

- 8. Push in trailer air supply knob on instrument panel.
- 9. Remove wheel blocks from trailer.

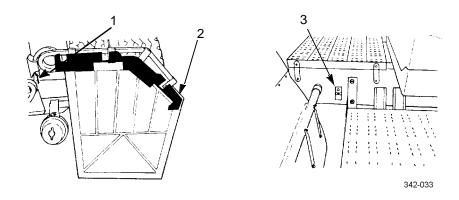
#### **MUD FLAP STOWAGE**

# **CAUTION**

If towing M872 semitrailer, rear mud flaps must be removed and stowed in brackets. Failure to follow this caution may result in equipment damage.

- 1. Remove lock pin (1).
- 2. Pull up on mud flap (2) and remove. Tap spring upward with hammer as required.
- 3. Place mud flap (2) in stowage bracket (3) and insert lock pin (1).
- 4. When towing operations are complete, remove lock pin (1) and mud flap (2) from stowage bracket (3).
- 5. Position mud flap (2) on vehicle and install lock pin (1).

#### **MUD FLAP STOWAGE - CONTINUED**



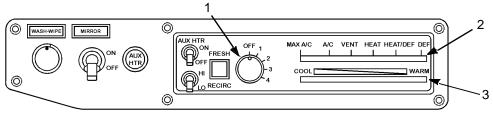
#### **OPERATE AIR CONDITIONER**

- 1. If cab is hot inside, open windows and allow hot air to vent.
- 2. Move mode control lever (2) to VENT and turn fan switch (1) to OFF position.
- 3. Start engine.

## **NOTE**

If outside air is dusty or smoky, mode control lever should be set to MAX A/C and windows and vent closed to prevent drawing dust or smoke into cab.

- 4. Move mode control lever (2) to A/C. With control at A/C, fresh air is drawn into cab. With control at MAX A/C, air inside cab is recirculated.
- 5. Move temperature control lever (3) to COOL.



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- 6. Turn fan switch (1) to 4 (highest speed).
- 7. As soon as cool air is flowing from dashboard outlets, close windows.

## **OPERATE AIR CONDITIONER - CONTINUED**

8. Adjust temperature control lever (3) and fan switch (1) as required.

#### **OPERATE PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER**



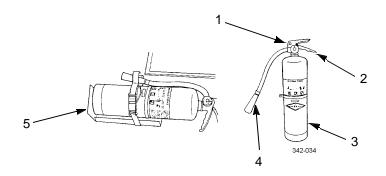
#### WARNING

Discharging large quantities of dry chemical fire extinguisher in the cab may result in temporary breathing difficulty during and immediately after the discharge event. If at all possible, discharge fire extinguisher from outside the cab. Ventilate cab thoroughly prior to reentry.

#### NOTE

This is a type B and C fire extinguisher. Use on oil and electrical fires only.

- 1. Remove fire extinguisher (3) from bracket (5) located between passenger seat and shift tower.
- 2. Hold fire extinguisher (3) upright. Point nozzle (4) toward base of fire and pull safety pin (1).
- 3. Squeeze lever (2), discharging chemical at base of fire. Use a side-to-side motion to spread chemical. After using fire extinguisher, notify Unit Maintenance.



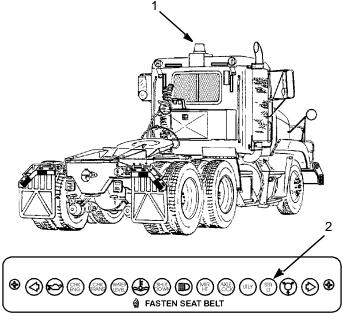
#### **OPERATE LIGHTS**

# **NOTE**

If engine is not running, ignition switch must be in ON position for lights to operate.

## 1. Operate Strobe Light.

- a. Turn ignition on and main light switch to STOP LIGHT.
- b. Move strobe light switch up to turn on strobe light (1). STR LT indicator (2) should come on.
- c. Move strobe light switch down. STR LT indicator (2) should go off.
- d. Place ignition key in OFF position.



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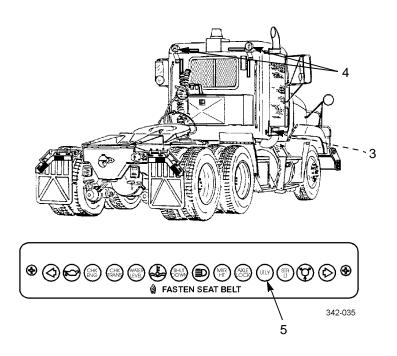
# 2. Operate Work Lights.

- a. Connect work light plug into receptacle (3) on either side of cab or dash.
- b. Place ignition key in ON position and main light switch in STOP LIGHT or SER DRIVE position.
- c. Position ignition key in OFF position and disconnect work light plug from receptacle (3).

# **OPERATE LIGHTS - CONTINUED**

# 3. Operate Utility Lights.

- a. Place ignition key in ON position and main light switch in STOP LIGHT or SER DRIVE position.
- b. Move utility light switch up to turn utility lights (4) on. UTLY light indicator (5) should come on
- c. Move utility light switch down. UTLY light indicator (5) should go off.
- d. Place ignition key in OFF position.



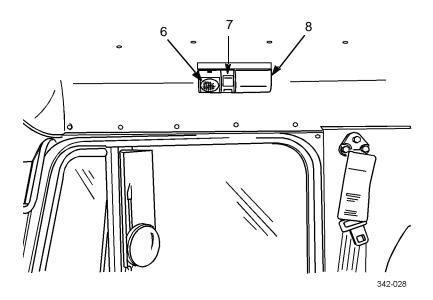
# **OPERATE LIGHTS - CONTINUED**

# 4. **Operate Interior Lights.**

# **NOTE**

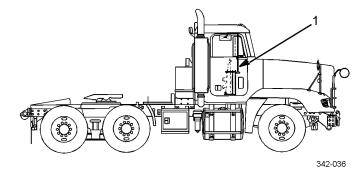
Interior lights DO NOT come on when cab door is opened.

- a. Place ignition key in ON position.
- b. Slide thumb switch (7) inboard to turn on domelight (8) only.
- c. Slide thumb switch (7) outboard to turn on domelight (8) and map light (6).
- d. Place ignition key in OFF position.



# RIFLE MOUNTING KIT

The rifle mounting kit (1) is located next to shift tower.

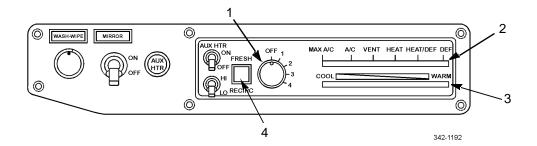


## **OPERATE HEATER AND DEFROSTER**

### **NOTE**

Heater and defroster obtain heat from engine as it runs. If engine is not running, heat will not be available for these functions.

- 1. Start engine and bring truck to normal operating temperature.
- 2. Slide mode control lever (2) to desired position.
- 3. Slide temperature control lever (3) to desired temperature range.
- 4. Rotate fan switch (1) to adjust fan speed from slower to faster, as desired.
- 5. Press FRESH/RECIRC air button (4) to desired setting.



## PREPARATION FOR TRANSPORT



## **WARNING**

- Lifting cables, chains, hooks, and slings used for lifting truck must be in good condition and of suitable capacity. Failure to follow this warning may result in injury or death to personnel and damage to equipment.
- Improper use of lifting equipment and improper attachment of cables to vehicle can result in serious personnel injury and equipment damage.
   Observe all standard rules of safety.

# **CAUTION**

Front extendable bumper is for overhead sling use only. It is not intended to be used to tow or extract a mired vehicle. DO NOT extend the bumper more than one adjustment hole. ALWAYS have both pins engaging the bumper and bumper extension on each side. Failure to follow this caution could result in damage to equipment.

## **CAUTION**

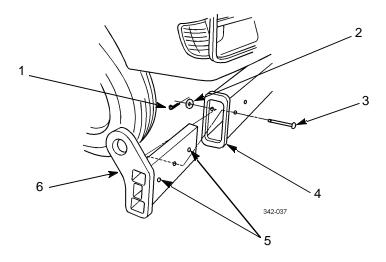
DO NOT attempt to overhead lift vehicle without extending front bumper extensions. Failure to follow this caution will result in damage to cab.

## **NOTE**

Both left and right side bumper extensions are adjusted in the same manner. Right side is shown.

## PREPARATION FOR TRANSPORT - CONTINUED

- 1. Remove two retaining pins (1), flat washers (2), and straight pins (3) from front bumper (4).
- 2. Position bumper extension (6) in front bumper (4) so straight pins (3) will engage two inside adjustment holes (5) on bumper extension.
- 3. Install two straight pins (3), flatwashers (2), and retaining pins (1) in front bumper (4).



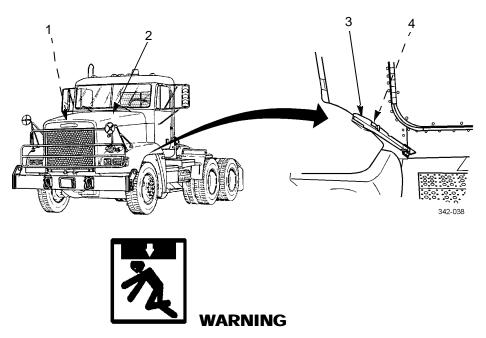
- 4. To lift vehicle, attach suitable lifting device to lifting shackles and bumper extensions. Lift vehicle slowly and have observers watch for any signs of cable failure, unusual load shifts, and obstructions.
- 5. During transport, secure vehicle by attaching cables to tiedown points.

## **OPERATE TILTABLE HOOD**

## 1. **Open Tiltable Hood.**

- a. Unlock hood retaining strap (3) from hood locking bracket (4).
- b. Repeat step (1) for opposite side.
- c. Grasp hand slot (1) at top-front center of hood (2) and rotate hood to open position.

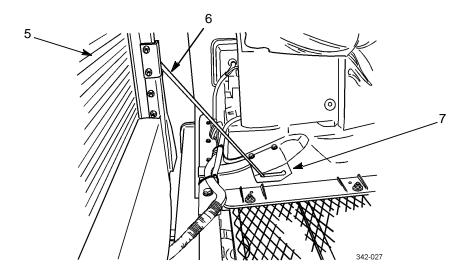
# **OPERATE TILTABLE HOOD - CONTINUED**



ALWAYS install hood prop after opening hood. Failure to follow this warning could result in severe injury to personnel.

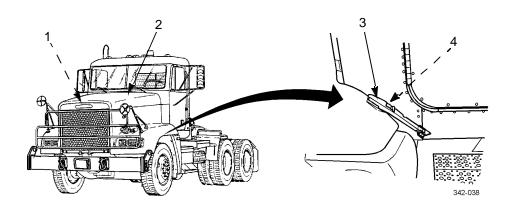
- d. On side of radiator (5), remove hood prop rod (6) from bracket.
- e. Rotate hood prop rod (6) forward and install rod end in slot provided on hood bracket (7).

# **OPERATE TILTABLE HOOD - CONTINUED**



# 2. Close Tiltable Hood.

- a. Remove hood prop rod (6) end from hood bracket (7).
- b. Rotate hood prop rod (6) rearward and secure in bracket on side of radiator (5).
- c. Grasp hand hold (1) at top front center of hood (2) and lower hood to closed position.
- d. Lock retaining strap (3) on hood locking bracket (4).
- e. Repeat step d. for opposite side.



#### **GENERAL**

#### WARNING

This vehicle has been designed to operate safely and efficiently within the limits specified in this TM. Operation beyond these limits is prohibited in accordance with AR 70-1 without written approval from: Commander, U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command, ATTN: AMSTA-DSA-CS, Warren, MI 48397-5000.

- 1. This work package contains instructions for safely operating the M915A3 under unusual conditions. In addition to normal preventive maintenance, special care must be taken to keep truck operational in extreme temperatures and other environmental conditions.
- 2. Refer to FM 21-300 and FM 21-305 for additional information.

#### SLAVE START TRUCK



# WARNING

- When slave starting truck, use NATO slave cable that DOES NOT have loose or missing insulation.
- DO NOT proceed if suitable cable is not available.
- DO NOT use civilian-type jumper cables.

# **CAUTION**

- DO NOT operate starter motor for more than 30 seconds at a time. After 30 seconds, allow starter motor to cool for at least two minutes before attempting to start engine again. Excessive heating of starter motor may result in damage or early starter failure.
- Under no circumstances can the truck be started by being towed or pushed. Failure to follow this caution will cause damage to transmission.

#### **NOTE**

- Before slave starting, ensure that checks have been made to determine whether problem is low or dead battery.
- If vehicle other than another M915A3 is used to slave start truck, refer to Operator's Manual for that vehicle for any special slave starting procedures.

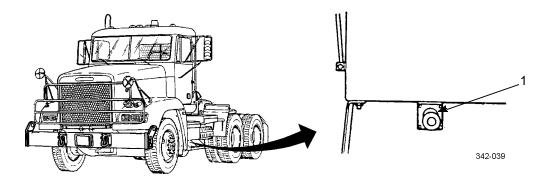
# **SLAVE START TRUCK - CONTINUED**

- 1. Connect NATO slave cable to receptacle (1) on "dead" vehicle.
- 2. Connect other end of NATO slave cable to receptacle on "live" vehicle.
- 3. Place master battery switch to ON.
- 4. Start engine of "live" vehicle and run at 1000 rpm until voltmeter of "dead" vehicle is in green band. Stop engine and remove NATO slave cable from receptacle.

#### **CAUTION**

Ensure voltmeter of "dead" vehicle is in GREEN band before pushing starter button.

5. Start engine of "dead" vehicle (WP 0005 00). If engine will not start, notify Unit Maintenance.



#### **TOW TRUCK**

# 1. General.

- a. Notify Unit Maintenance to send recovery vehicle and tools required to disconnect propeller shafts.
- b. Refer to FM 21-305 for general guidelines on vehicle recovery and use of warning kits and signals. Refer to FM 21-305 and FM 20-22 for additional information.

### **CAUTION**

Propeller shafts must be disconnected and inter-axle lockout control valve lever must be in UNLOCK position before towing truck with all wheels on the ground. Failure to follow this caution may result in transmission damage.

c. When towing truck with front axle and rear tandem on ground, ensure that interaxle lockout control valve lever is in UNLOCK position. Ensure that universal joint on rear of propeller shaft (at the input to the forward-rear axle) is disconnected and tied up to vehicle undercarriage.

# **TOW TRUCK - CONTINUED**

- d. When front axle of truck being towed is lifted off the ground, disconnect universal joint on propeller shaft (at the input to the forward-rear axle) and tie it to vehicle undercarriage.
- e. When rear tandem axles of truck being towed are lifted off ground, ensure inter-axle lockout control valve lever is in UNLOCKED position.

# 2. Towing Procedures.

#### WARNING

Brakes will be released when air is applied to a disabled vehicle. DO NOT connect air lines to a disabled vehicle without first blocking wheels and connecting tow bar between vehicles. Failure to follow this warning could result in death or injury to personnel and damage to equipment.

### **NOTE**

Towing vehicle speed should not exceed 15 mph (24 kph) on primary roads and 8 mph (13 kph) on secondary roads. For cross-country towing, all tires of disabled truck should be on ground.

- a. Install medium duty tow bar at towing vehicle pintle and disabled truck towing eyes. Ensure tow bar is long enough to allow complete turning radius.
- b. Connect air pressure hoses between disabled truck and towing vehicle.
- c. Release parking brakes and turn appropriate lights on.

#### CAGE AND UNCAGE BRAKES

1. <u>Cage Brakes.</u> In the event of an air pressure loss, spring brakes on the tandem rear axles will apply the brakes. If the vehicle must be towed and there is not enough air system pressure to compress the power spring in the spring brake chambers to release the brakes, compress them manually. Each vehicle has four spring brakes.

#### CAGE AND UNCAGE BRAKES - CONTINUED

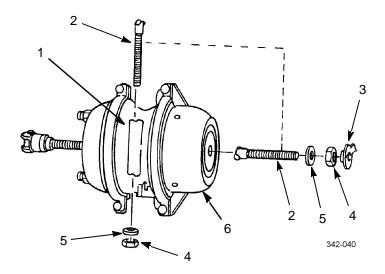
#### WARNING

- Brake chamber contains spring under great pressure. To prevent personnel injury, never work directly behind chamber. If caging bolt will not engage properly, spring may be broken.
- DO NOT remove clamp ring around spring brake chamber. It is under tension and can cause personnel injury if released.
- When spring brakes are applied, vehicle will stop quickly which could result in injury to personnel. Also, vehicle cannot be driven again until malfunction is repaired and enough air supply is present for operation of service brakes.
- When caging brakes, block wheels to keep truck from moving when brakes are released. Failure to follow this warning may result in death or injury to personnel or damage to equipment.
- a. Block wheels.
- b. Remove cap (3).
- c. Remove nut (4), washer (5), and release stud (2) from stowage pocket (1).
- d. Insert cross-pin end of release stud (2) into opening where cap (3) was removed.
- e. To engage cross-pin, rotate release stud (2) until cross-pin end goes into slot inside of spring chamber (6). Turn release stud right ¼ turn; cross-pin is now engaged.
- f. Install washer (5) and nut (4) on release stud (2).
- g. Install cap (3).
- h. Tighten nut (4) until approximately 3 in. of release stud (2) shows above nut. Spring brake is fully released.

#### 2. Uncage Brakes.

- a. Block wheels.
- b. Remove cap (3).
- c. Remove nut (4) and washer (5) from release stud (2).
- d. Turn release stud (2) to left ¼ turn and remove release stud from spring chamber
   (6).
- e. Insert release stud (2) into stowage pocket (1) and install washer (5) and nut (4) on release stud.
- f. Install cap (3).

#### CAGE AND UNCAGE BRAKES - CONTINUED



#### **OPERATE IN EXTREME COLD**

# 1. General.

- a. Extreme cold causes many problems:
  - (1) Lubricants thicken or congeal.
  - (2) Batteries may freeze or lose their electrical efficiency.
  - (3) Fuel may not readily atomize for combustion.
  - (4) Various materials become hard, brittle, and easily damaged.
  - (5) Cooling system requires adequate protection from extreme cold.
  - (6) Fuels, lubricants, and antifreeze compounds require special storage, handling, and use.
- b. Refer to FM 9-207 for additional information.
- c. All vehicles assigned to arctic regions are equipped with an auxiliary arctic heater kit to protect vehicle systems from freeze damage, enables easier starting by providing engine block preheating, and boosts cab heat output. Refer to subparagraphs 2 and 3 for operation of arctic heater.
- d. When starting out:
  - (1) Be careful when you first start your vehicle. Use cold weather starting procedure and allow engine time to reach operating temperature range of 120-140°F (48-59°C). Be alert that tires may be frozen to ground.

#### **OPERATE IN EXTREME COLD - CONTINUED**

(2) Start driving very slowly for about 100 yards (91.4 m). Be alert for signs that tires may have flat spots or that one or more brake shoes may be frozen and require preheating. Notify Unit Maintenance as required.

#### e. Parking.

- (1) If vehicle will be parked for a short period, park in a sheltered area out of wind. If shelter is not available, park vehicle so it does not face into the wind.
- (2) If vehicle will be parked for a long shutdown period, try to park on high ground and use planks or brush to make a raised and relatively dry surface. Keep tires out of snow, water, ice, and mud, if possible.
- (3) Clean snow, ice, and mud from vehicle as soon as possible after shutdown.
- (4) If vehicle will be parked for a long period of time, have Unit Maintenance remove and store batteries. Fill fuel tank to guard against condensation and drain any accumulated water from air reservoirs and fuel filters.
- (5) Ensure tires are properly inflated.
- (6) Have Unit Maintenance check and service cooling system to ensure truck is adequately protected against extreme cold. Ensure transmission is in NEUTRAL (N) position and vehicle tires are blocked.

# 2. Operate Arctic Heater to Preheat Engine (if equipped).

#### **NOTE**

- Arctic heater is used to provide engine preheating for engine startup in extreme cold. It is also used to provide personnel heat. When heater is required to preheat engine coolant and engine block <u>before</u> startup, it should be turned on 1/2-1 hour before engine is started.
- Auxiliary heater (AUX HTR) indicator light illuminates only when burner is lit. Indicator light turns on and off automatically.
- During auxiliary heater operation, watch battery indicator. If necessary, start engine to charge batteries.
- a. Place master battery switch to ON.
- b. Turn all electrical equipment in cab OFF (i.e., heated mirrors, defroster blower, personnel heater blower, etc.).
- c. Push auxiliary heater coolant flow control knob IN (located on the radio support bracket).
- d. Place heater mode control lever (3) to HEAT.
- e. Turn ignition switch to the accessory position (counterclockwise).

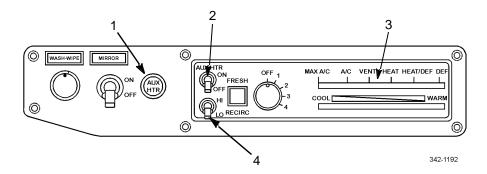
# **OPERATE IN EXTREME COLD - CONTINUED**

- f. Place AUX HTR switch (2) in ON position. Green light in switch will illuminate. AUX HTR light (1) will light when combustion starts after approximately 50 seconds.
- g. Preheat engine for approximately 45 minutes and start engine.

# **NOTE**

If HI-LO switch is set to HI position, heater will automatically switch to low heat when temperature of coolant at heater inlet reaches 176°F (80°C). LO position is suitable when heater operates over an extended period.

- h. Place HI-LO switch (4) to desired setting.
- i. To turn auxiliary heater off, place AUX HTR switch (2) to OFF position. Heater burner will stop and AUX HTR light will go out within a few minutes. Blower will continue to run for approximately 90 seconds.



#### **OPERATE IN EXTREME COLD - CONTINUED**

3. Operate Arctic Heater To Heat Cab (if equipped).

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- d. Place heater mode control lever (3) to HEAT.
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#### **OPERATE IN EXTREME HEAT**

1. **General.** During very hot weather, driving procedures may require altering to prevent vehicle overheating. Avoid continuous high speeds, long, hard pulls, and continuous operation in soft terrain.

#### **OPERATE IN EXTREME HEAT - CONTINUED**

#### 2. **Driving Vehicle.**

- a. Check water temperature gage and stop if temperature is unusually high. Allow vehicle to cool down.
- b. Check cooling system, air cleaner, air cleaner restriction indicator, engine oil level, and radiator fins frequently. Perform necessary services and notify Unit Maintenance of any unusual gage readings or problems.
- c. Notify Unit Maintenance to shorten differential oil change interval.

#### 3. Parking Vehicle.

- a. Park vehicle under cover, if possible. If shelter is not available, cover vehicle with tarpaulins. If there aren't enough tarps to cover entire vehicle, arrange tarps around engine compartment and over radiator to keep sand and dust out. Cover window glass to protect against sand blasting.
- b. Ensure all tires are inflated to proper pressure.
- c. Check frequently for rust and fungus growth. Clean and lubricate vehicle to help prevent deterioration.

#### **OPERATE IN MUD OR SOFT SURFACES**

- 1. Before entering mud or other soft surfaces, check conditions, stop vehicle, and select appropriate transmission gear range. Place inter-axle lockout control valve lever in LOCK position. Enter soft area at a medium speed for gear range selected.
- 2. Maintain steady pressure on accelerator pedal to keep vehicle rolling until solid ground is reached. Do not accelerate to point where wheels spin and do not stop, if possible.
- 3. If vehicle gets stuck, try to pull out slowly in a low gear. Boards, brush, or similar materials may be placed under tires to provide traction.
- 4. When vehicle reaches hard surface, place inter-axle lockout control valve lever in UNLOCK position.
- 5. Notify Unit Maintenance to clean and inspect propeller shafts for proper lubrication.

#### **FORDING**

#### 1. General.

- a. Maximum fording depth is 20 in. (50.8 cm).
- b. Ford to maximum depth for short periods and short distances only. Vehicles can ford to maximum depth for five minutes without requiring maintenance to continue operation.

#### **FORDING - CONTINUED**

#### 2. **Before Fording.**

- a. Check bottom surface of water to ensure it is hard enough to be forded without exceeding maximum fording depth.
- b. Ensure that engine is operating properly.
- c. Lubricate unpainted surfaces to guard against rust and deterioration.
- d. Place inter-axle lockout control valve lever in LOCK position.

# 3. **During Fording.**

- a. Place transmission in a low gear and enter water slowly.
- b. Ford at speeds of 3-4 mph (5-6 kph).

# 4. After Fording.

- a. When vehicle emerges from water, apply brakes a few times to dry brake linings. Ensure that brakes are working properly before driving at normal speeds.
- b. Place inter-axle lockout control valve lever in UNLOCK position.
- c. Allow engine to run for awhile to drive out any accumulated water.
- d. Drain or dry any area where water has accumulated.
- e. Check all fluids for signs of contamination and for proper levels (WP 0016 00).
- f. If vehicle has been operated in salt water, rinse undercarriage immediately. Allow exterior to dry and check for evidence of salt accumulation. Use a clean, damp cloth to immediately remove all salt accumulation.
- g. Notify Unit Maintenance that after-fording lubrication is required.

#### **OPERATE IN SANDY OR DUSTY CONDITIONS**

- 1. Maintain steady, even movement with transmission in lower gears with inter-axle lockout control valve lever in LOCK position. Try to keep vehicle rolling without straining engine and powertrain.
- 2. If vehicle gets stuck, reduce tire pressure to gain additional traction. Reduce pressure in front tires to 50 psi (345 kPa) and pressure in rear tires to 45 psi (310 kPa). Inflate tires to normal pressures once vehicle is freed.
- 3. If vehicle bogs down, after tire pressure has been reduced, place boards, brush, canvas, or similar materials under and in front of tires after shoveling a clear path ahead of each tire. This should improve traction.
- 4. If these efforts fail and it becomes evident that vehicle will not free itself, have another vehicle tow stuck vehicle (WP 0006 00).

#### **OPERATE IN SANDY OR DUSTY CONDITIONS - CONTINUED**

- 5. Whenever operating in sandy or dusty areas, you should:
  - a. Ensure each tire has a valve cap.
  - b. Check engine and transmission temperature and engine oil pressure frequently.
  - c. If vehicle overheats, stop and find out why. Service vehicle or notify Unit Maintenance, as necessary.
  - d. Ensure engine oil filler tube and transmission fluid filler tube are cleaned before dipsticks are removed to check fluid levels. Clean accumulations of sand and dirt from around any fluid filler locations before checking or adding fluids.
  - e. Clean spouts of fuel containers and areas around filler caps on fuel tanks before adding fuel. Under extremely sandy or dusty conditions, filter fuel when filling tanks.
  - f. Cover window glass to protect against sand blasting.
  - g. Notify Unit Maintenance to clean, inspect, and lubricate propeller shafts more frequently.

#### OPERATE IN WOODS OR ON ROCKY TERRAIN

- 1. Ensure vehicle can clear any obstructions and try to avoid low hanging tree limbs which might cause damage.
- 2. Ensure spare wheel and tire assembly is available.

#### **OPERATE ON SNOW AND ICE**

#### 1. General.

- a. When driving:
  - (1) Accelerate slowly to avoid spinning tires.
  - (2) Drive at slower speeds.
  - (3) Give signals sooner.
  - (4) Apply brakes sooner to give early warning of intention to stop. This also helps to avoid skidding.
  - (5) Maintain double the normal distance from the vehicle ahead.
  - (6) Keep windshields, windows, mirrors, headlights, stoplights, body lights, and collision warning system (CWS) antenna and side sensor clean and free of snow and ice. Use defroster to help keep windshield and window glass free of snow and ice.
  - (7) Descend moderate grades in gear normally used for ascending same grade. On steep or very slippery grades, place inter-axle lockout control valve lever in LOCK position and use at least one gear lower.

#### **OPERATE ON SNOW AND ICE - CONTINUED**

- (8) After driving through slush or water, drive slowly and test brakes. Keep driving slowly, maintaining moderate pressure on service brake pedal to create a slight drag. When brakes are dry and operating properly, resume normal speed.
- (9) If a difficult stretch of road approaches, stop and inspect it carefully before driving on it. Select transmission gear range that best suits road condition and place inter-axle lockout control valve lever in LOCK position.

#### NOTE

Shifts from N (Neutral) to D (Drive) or to R (Reverse) cannot occur if engine speed is above idle. Reduce engine speed to idle and shift again.

(10) If vehicle becomes stuck or tires start spinning, it may be possible to rock vehicle out. Place inter-axle lockout control valve lever in LOCK position and shift transmission to D (Drive). Apply light, steady throttle (never full throttle). When vehicle has moved as far as it will go, apply service brakes and allow engine to return to idle speed. Shift transmission to R (Reverse). Again, apply light, steady throttle and allow vehicle to move rearward as far as it will go. Apply service brakes and allow engine to return to idle speed. This procedure can be continued as long as each directional shift moves vehicle a greater distance. If not, vehicle should be towed from its position.

#### b. When stopping:

- (1) Ease up on accelerator, leaving vehicle in gear.
- (2) Apply service brakes lightly and evenly. DO NOT pump service brake pedal.

# **WARNING**

DO NOT use engine brake if road surfaces are slippery. Using engine brake on wet, icy, or snow-covered roads could result in loss of vehicle control. Failure to follow this warning could result in death or injury to personnel or damage to equipment.

(3) Always avoid sudden braking and use of engine brake on slick roads.

#### CAUTION

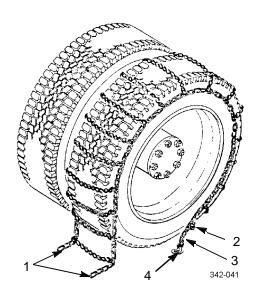
Care must be exercised if tractor or trailer ABS light comes on while driving, possibly indicating an ABS malfunction. Although the regular/normal vehicle system is still fully operational, continue in a safe manner and reduce speed to 40 mph (64 kph) until mission is complete. When mission is complete, notify Unit Maintenance to clear ABS fault and restore full ABS capabilities.

# **OPERATE ON SNOW OR ICE - CONTINUED**

- (4) During emergency or reduced traction stops, press brake pedal fully until vehicle comes to a safe stop. DO NOT PUMP brake pedal. With brake pedal fully depressed, ABS controls all wheels to provide steering control and a reduced braking distance.
- c. If parking on icy, slushy, wet, or muddy surfaces, place boards, brush, or other materials that would provide traction underneath tires. This guards against tires freezing to the ground or becoming pocketed in ice, and provides some traction when vehicle is started and moving again.

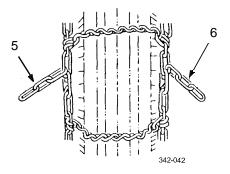
#### 2. <u>Install Tire Chains.</u>

- a. Lay chains flat on ground alongside tire to be mounted. Untangle any cross chains.
- b. Open all cams (4) to longest spacing.
- c. Pick up rear side chains (1) (no cams) and place over top of tire.
- d. Tuck last crossmember (2) against bottom of tire with loose side chain (3) sticking out away from tire.
- e. Roll vehicle in direction of last crossmember (2) (approximately 1/4 tire revolution).



# **OPERATE ON SNOW OR ICE - CONTINUED**

- f. Pull inside side chain (5) snug and hook into appropriate link to hold snug.
- g. Pull outside side chain (6) snug and hook.



# **NOTE**

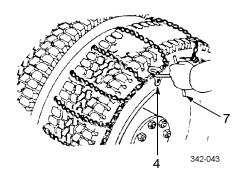
Hooks must be even. Same number of loose links must appear on each side of chain. If uneven, loosen outside hook and rehook both inside and outside hooks until they are even.

h. Close cams (4) by inserting key (7) in slot and rotating 180 degrees clockwise. Start with cam closest to side chain hook.

# **NOTE**

All four cams should not have to be locked for chain to be tight.

- i. If additional tightening is required, tighten cam on opposite side of tire. Continue tightening cams as required.
- j. If all four cams are tight and chain is not tight, loosen all four cams and resnug side chain at fastener hook until no more than three cams require adjustment.
- k. Drive approximately 1/2 mile and readjust chains as required.



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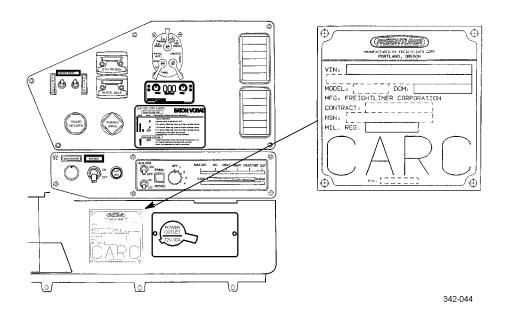
# STOWAGE AND DECAL/DATA PLATE GUIDE

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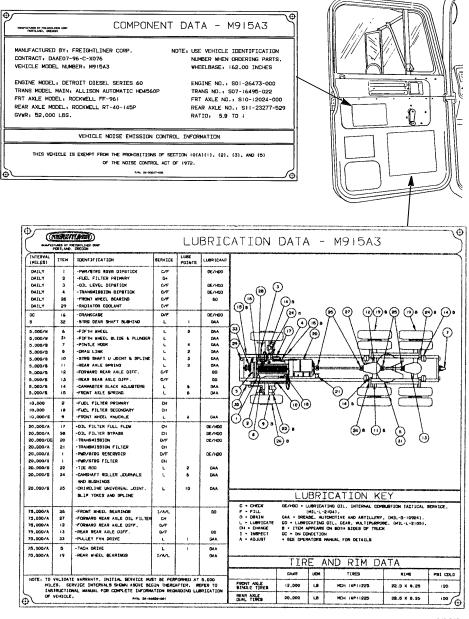
- 1. This work package shows the location for stowage of equipment and material required to be carried on the M915A3.
- 2. This work package also includes illustrations showing the location of all decals, data plates, and stencils.

# **DECALS AND PLATES**



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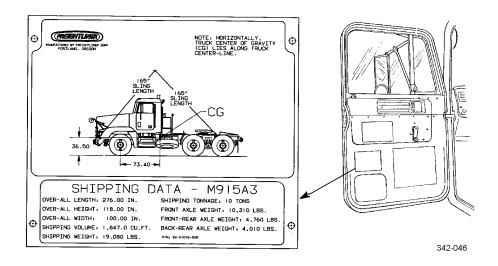
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#### **DECALS AND PLATES - CONTINUED**



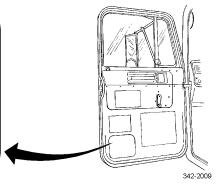
# **CAUTION**

# SLAVE START PROCEDURES

- 1- CONNECT NATO SLAVE CABLE TO RECEPTACLE ON "DEAD"
  VEHICLE.
  2- CONNECT OTHER END OF NATO SLAVE CABLE TO RECEPTACLE
  ON "LIME" VEHICLE.
  3- PLACE MASTER BATTERY SWITCH TO "ON".
  4- START ENGINE OF "LIME" VEHICLE AND RUN AT 1000 RPM
  UNTIL VOLTMETER OF "DEAD" VEHICLE IS IN GREEN BAND.
  STOP ENGINE. REMOVE NATO SLAVE CABLE FROM RECEPTACLE.

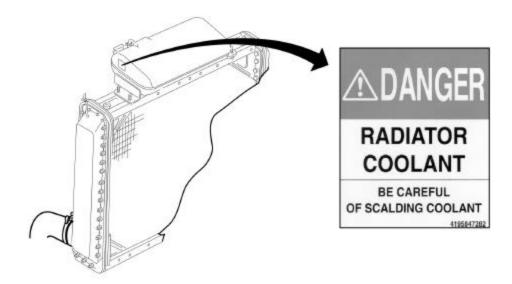
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ENSURE VOLTMETER OF "DEAD" VEHICLE IS IN GREEN BAND BEFORE PUSHING STARTER BUTTON.



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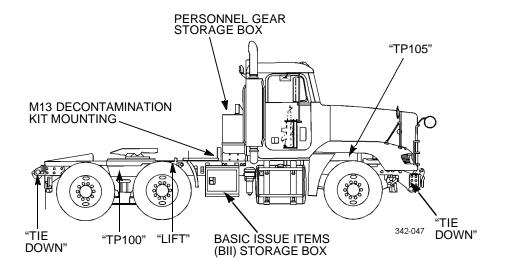
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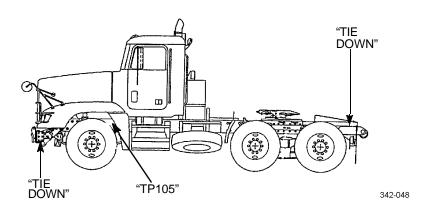


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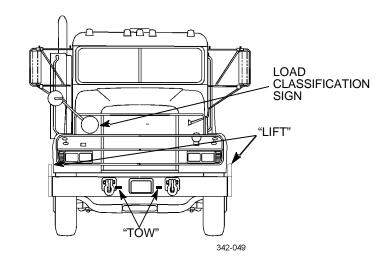
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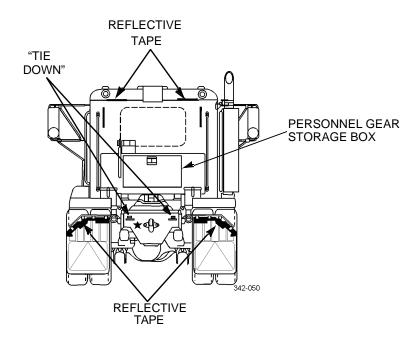




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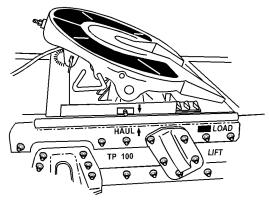
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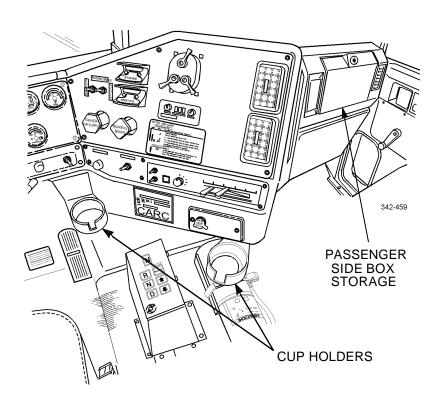


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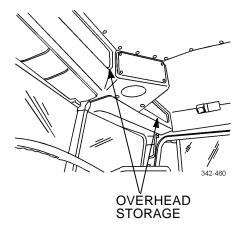
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# STOWAGE AND STENCILS - CONTINUED



# CHAPTER 3 OPERATOR TROUBLESHOOTING

#### **GENERAL**

- 1. This chapter provides information for identifying and correcting malfunctions which may develop while operating the M915A3.
- 2. The Troubleshooting Symptom Index in WP 0009 00 lists common malfunctions which may occur and refers you to the proper page in WP 0010 00, Table 1 for a troubleshooting procedure.
- 3. If you are unsure of the location of an item mentioned in troubleshooting, refer to WP 0002 00 or WP 0004 00.
- 4. Before performing troubleshooting, read and follow all safety instructions found in the Warning Summary at the front of this manual.
- 5. The Troubleshooting Symptom Index cannot list all malfunctions that may occur, nor all tests or inspections and corrective actions. If a malfunction is not listed, or is not corrected by the listed corrective actions, notify your supervisor.
- 6. When troubleshooting a malfunction:
  - Locate the symptom or symptoms in WP 0009 00 in that best describe the malfunction.
  - b. Turn to the page in WP 0010 00, Table 1 where the troubleshooting procedures for the malfunction in question are described. Headings at the top of each page show how each troubleshooting procedure is organized: MALFUNCTION, TEST OR INSPECTION (in step number order), and CORRECTIVE ACTION.
  - c. Perform each step in the order listed until the malfunction is corrected. DO NOT perform any maintenance task unless the troubleshooting procedure tells you to do so.

### **EXPLANATION OF COLUMNS**

The columns in WP 0010 00, Table 1 are defined as follows:

- 1. **MALFUNCTION.** A visual or operational indication that something is wrong with the equipment.
- 2. **TEST OR INSPECTION.** A procedure to isolate the problem in a system or component.
- 3. **CORRECTIVE ACTION.** A procedure to correct the problem.

TR	COUBLESHOOTING SYMPTOM INDEX 0009 00
<u>Ma</u>	alfunction/Symptom Troubleshooting Procedure
ΑII	R SYSTEM AND BRAKES
1.	Air Reservoir Pressure Low (Warning Light and Buzzer are ON)
2.	Air System Loses Pressure During Vehicle Operation or Low Air Pressure Warning Light and Buzzer Come On During Vehicle Operation
3.	Trailer Brakes Will Not Apply When Pedal or Hand Control on Steering Column is Used
4.	Trailer Brakes Will Not Release
DF	RIVELINE LOCKING SYSTEM
	Driveline Will Not Disengage When Inter-axle Lockout Control Valve Lever is Moved to UNLOCK Position
EL	ECTRICAL SYSTEM
	One or More Lighting Systems Not Working
ΕN	IGINE
1.	Engine Coolant Temperature Gage Indicates Engine is Overheating0010 00-4
2.	Engine Cranks but Fails to Start
3.	Engine Does Not Develop Full Power
4.	Engine Does Not Idle Properly
5.	Engine Fails to Crank When Starter Button is Pressed
6.	Engine Starts but Misfires or Runs Rough After Proper Warmup Period
7.	Excessive Engine Oil Consumption
8.	Excessive Exhaust Smoke (At Normal Engine Operating Speed)
9.	Low or No Engine Oil Pressure
ST	EERING
1.	Hard Steering, Shimmy or Wandering
2.	Vehicle Steering Slow or Intermittent to Respond

TR	ED 0009 00			
Malfunction/Symptom Troubleshooting Proced				
TR	TRANSMISSION			
1.	Slow or Erratic Transmission Engagement	0010 00-7		
2.	Transmission Fluid Temperature Gage Indicates Fluid     is Overheating During Normal Operation			
WH	WHEELS AND TIRES			
1.	Tires Worn Unevenly or Excessively			
2.	2. Vehicle Wanders or Pulls to One Side on Level Pavement			
3.	3. Wheel Wobbles			

**Table 1. Troubleshooting Procedures.** 

MALFUNCTION	TEST OR INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
AIR SYS	STEM AND BRAKES	
1. Air Reservoir Pressure Low (Warning Light and Buzzer are ON).		Close draincocks.
	2. If vehicle is not coupled to a semitrailer, check position of trailer air supply control knob.	Pull knob out (OFF).
		If air leaks are present, notify Unit Maintenance.
	4. Perform semitrailer troubleshooting.	
2. Air System Loses Pressure During Vehicle Operation or Low Air Pressure Warning Light and Buzzer Come On During Vehicle Operation.		
	NOTE	
Any change in pressure on bra reading.	ke pedal will cause a chan	ge in air pressure

**Table 1. Troubleshooting Procedures - Continued.** 

MALFUNCTION	TEST OR INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
2. Air System Loses Pressure During Vehicle Operation or Low Air Pressure Warning Light and Buzzer Come On During Vehicle Operation - Continued.	supply control knob is pulled out (OFF).	Close air reservoir draincocks. If leaks are present, notify Unit Maintenance.
Any change in pressure on bra	<b>NOTE</b> ke pedal will cause a chang	ge in air pressure
reading.	charge semitrailer air reservoirs and repeat	If air leaks are present or reservoir pressure loss exceeds 5 psi (34 kPa) in two minutes, trouble-shoot semitrailer.
3. Trailer Brakes Will Not Apply When Pedal or Hand Control on Steering Column is Used.		Connect air hoses.
4. Trailer Brakes Will Not Release.		Move control to forward (OFF) position.
	2. Check position of trailer air supply control knob.	Push knob in (ON).

**Table 1. Troubleshooting Procedures - Continued.** 

MALFUNCTION	TEST OR INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
4. Trailer Brakes Will Not Release - Continued.	3. Check intervehicular air hoses for proper connections.	Connect air hoses.
	4. Check vehicle air system for leaks.	If leaks are found, notify Unit Maintenance
	5. If leaks are not found and vehicle components are not damaged, troubleshoot semitrailer.	
DRIVELIN	E LOCKING SYSTEM	'
Driveline Will Not Disengage When Inter-axle Lockout Control Valve Lever is Moved to UNLOCK Position.	enough time to	Leave lockout control valve lever in UNLOCKED position and wait for light to go off.
	2. Excessive driveline windup may have occurred. Back truck up slowly. If driveline does not disengage, notify Unit Maintenance.	
ELEC	TRICAL SYSTEM	'
One or More Lighting Systems Not Working.	switch(es). If vehicle is coupled to semitrailer and problem is with	position and blackout light switch to NORMAL
	2. Perform semitrailer troubleshooting.	

**Table 1. Troubleshooting Procedures - Continued.** 

MALFUNCTION		TEST OR INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
		ENGINE	
1. Engine Coolant Gage Indicates Overheating.	Temperature Engine is		



# **WARNING**

DO NOT remove radiator cap unless engine is cold. Remove cap in two steps. First, place a thick cloth over cap and slowly turn cap left to first stop. Pause and allow pressure to escape. Turn cap further left until it can be removed. This is a pressurized cooling system and escaping steam, hot water, or coolant will cause serious burns.

1. Check engine coolant level in radiator.	
2. Check system for leaks.	If leaks are found, notify Unit Maintenance.
3. Check if radiator cooling fins are free of mud, snow, ice, or debris.	blocks or impedes
4. Check cooling fan drive belts for looseness.	•
5. Check engine oil level.	If engine oil is low, fill to correct level (WP 0016 00).
6. Check transmission fluid level.	If transmission fluid level is low, fill to correct level (WP 0016 00).

2. Engine Cranks but Fails to Start.



# **WARNING**

Fuel tank cap may become hot during vehicle operation. Use hand protection when removing fuel cap.

**Table 1. Troubleshooting Procedures - Continued.** 

MALFUNCTION	TEST OR INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
2. Engine Cranks but Fails to Start - Continued.	1. Check fuel gage with ignition switch in ON position.	If empty, add fuel.
	2. Check air cleaner restriction indicator.	If indicator is not clear, notify Unit Maintenance.
	3. If operating in temperature below 32°F (0°C), check that cold weather starting procedure was used.	Perform cold weather starting procedure.
3. Engine Does Not Develop Full Power.	Check air cleaner restriction indicator.	If indicator is not clear, notify Unit Maintenance.
4. Engine Does Not Idle Properly.	Check air cleaner restriction indicator.	If indicator is not clear, notify Unit Maintenance.
	2. If operating in temperature below 32°F (0°C), check that cold weather starting procedure was used.	Perform cold weather starting procedure.
5. Engine Fails to Crank When Starter Button is Pressed.	1. Check position of master battery switch.	Place master battery switch in ON position.
	2. Check position of ignition switch.	Place ignition switch in ON position.
	3. Check selection of transmission shift selector pushbuttons.	Select transmission shift selector N (Neutral) pushbutton.
	4. Check for dirty, loose, or broken battery cables.	=
	5. If cable is broken, notify Unit Maintenance.	
6. Engine Starts but Misfires or Runs Rough After Proper Warmup Period.	Check air cleaner restriction indicator.	If indicator is not clear, notify Unit Maintenance.
7. Excessive Engine Oil Consumption.	Check for loose oil lines and oil leaks.	If oil lines are loose or leaks are found, notify Unit Maintenance.

**Table 1. Troubleshooting Procedures - Continued.** 

MALFUNCTION	TEST OR INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
8. Excessive Exhaust Smoke (At		,
Normal Engine Operating Speed).	restriction indicator.	notify Unit Maintenance.
	2. Check for water in fuel.	Drain fuel filters (WP 0012 00).
9. Low or No Engine Oil Pressure.	Check engine oil level.	If engine oil is low, fill to correct level (WP 0016 00).
	STEERING	1
1. Hard Steering, Shimmy or Wandering.		
	NOTE	•
Check tire pr	ressure when tires are cold.	
	1. Check that tires are properly inflated.	Inflate tires to proper pressure (WP 0012 00).
	2. Check for loose lug nuts.	Tighten loose lug nuts and notify Unit Maintenance to apply proper torque.
	3. Check for worn, loose, or damaged parts on front axle or suspension. Check steering linkage, wheels, and vehicle frame for worn, loose, or damaged parts.	If worn, loose, or damaged parts are found, notify Unit Maintenance.
2. Vehicle Steering Slow or Intermittent to Respond.	Check power steering fluid level.	If power steering fluid is low, fill to correct level (WP 0016 00).
	2. Check for proper operation of power steering.	With vehicle at stop, turn steering wheel in either direction until steer limit is reached. Hold steering wheel in position for five seconds. Turn steering wheel in other direction until steering limit is reached. Repeat cycling a number of times.

**Table 1. Troubleshooting Procedures - Continued.** 

MALFUNCTION	TEST OR INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
TR	RANSMISSION	
1. Slow or Erratic Transmission Engagement.	Check transmission fluid level.	If transmission fluid is low, fill to correct level (WP 0016 00).
2. Transmission Fluid Temperature Gage Indicates Fluid is Overheating During Normal Operation.	1. Check transmission fluid level.	If transmission fluid is low, fill to correct level (WP 0016 00).
	2. Check transmission fluid dipstick for discoloration that would indicate water/coolant in fluid.	If dipstick is discolored, notify Unit Maintenance.
WHE	ELS AND TIRES	'
1. Tires Worn Unevenly or Excessively.	1. Check tires for proper pressure.	Inflate tires to proper pressure (WP 0012 00).
	2. Check for bent wheel rims.	If rim is bent, replace wheel and tire assembly (WP 0014 00). Notify Unit Maintenance to apply proper torque.
	3. Check for loose lug nuts and worn, loose, or damaged suspension components.	Tighten loose lug nuts and notify Unit Maintenance to apply proper torque. If suspension components are worn, loose or damaged, notify Unit Maintenance.
2. Vehicle Wanders or Pulls to One Side on Level Pavement.	1. Check tires for proper pressure.	Inflate tires to proper pressure (WP 0012 00).
	2. Check that tires are proper size and type.	If one tire is mismatched and spare matches, replace mismatched tire with spare. If one or more tires are mismatched, notify Unit Maintenance.
	3. Check for loose or damaged steering gear/linkage.	If steering gear/linkage is loose or damaged, notify Unit Maintenance.

**Table 1. Troubleshooting Procedures - Continued.** 

MALFUNCTION	TEST OR INSPECTION	CORRECTIVE ACTION
3. Wheel Wobbles.	Check for loose or missing lug nuts.	Tighten loose lug nuts and notify Unit Maintenance to apply proper torque. If lug nuts are missing, notify Unit Maintenance.
	2. Check for bent wheel rims.	If rim is bent, replace wheel and tire assembly (WP 0014 00). Notify Unit Maintenance to apply proper torque.
	or damaged steering	If steering or suspension components are damaged, notify Unit Maintenance.

# CHAPTER 4 OPERATOR MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

# PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKS AND SERVICES (PMCS) INTRODUCTION

0011 00

#### **GENERAL**

To ensure that the M915A3 Tractor Truck is ready for operation at all times, it must be inspected on a regular basis so that defects may be found and corrected before they result in serious damage, equipment failure, or injury to personnel. Table 1 in WP0012 00 contains systematic instructions on inspections, adjustments, and corrections to be performed by the operator/crew to keep your equipment in good operating condition and ready for its primary mission.

#### EXPLANATION OF TABLE ENTRIES

- 1. <u>Item Number (Item No.) Column.</u> Numbers in this column are for reference. When completing DA Form 2404 (*Equipment Inspection and Maintenance Worksheet*), include the item number for the check/service indicating a fault. Item numbers also appear in the order that you must perform checks and services for the interval listed.
- 2. <u>Interval Column</u>. This column tells you when you must perform the procedure in the procedure column.
  - a. *Before* procedures must be done immediately before you operate the truck.
  - b. *During* procedures must be done while you are operating the truck.
  - c. After procedures must be done immediately after you have operated the truck.
  - d. Weekly procedures must be done once each week.
  - e. *Monthly* procedures must be done once each month.
- Location, Item To Check/Service Column. This column provides the location and item to be checked or serviced. The item location is underlined.

#### **NOTE**

The WARNINGs and CAUTIONs appearing in your PMCS table should always be observed. WARNINGs and CAUTIONs appear before applicable procedures. You must observe these WARNINGs to prevent serious injury to yourself and others, and CAUTIONs to prevent your equipment from being damaged.

- 4. **Procedure Column.** This column gives the procedure you must perform to check or service the item listed in the Item To Check/Service column to know if the equipment is ready or available for its intended mission or for operation. You must perform the procedure at the time stated in the interval column.
- 5. Not Fully Mission Capable If: Column. Information in this column tells you what faults keep your equipment from being capable of performing its primary mission. If you make check and service procedures that show faults listed in this column, the equipment is not mission-capable. Follow standard operating procedures for maintaining the equipment or reporting equipment failure.

# PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKS AND SERVICES (PMCS) INTRODUCTION - CONTINUED

0011 00

#### **GENERAL PMCS PROCEDURES**

- 1. Always perform PMCS in the same order so it gets to be a habit. Once you've had some practice, you'll spot anything wrong in a hurry. If the truck does not perform as required, refer to the appropriate troubleshooting procedure in Chapter 3.
- 2. If anything looks wrong and you can't fix it, write it on your DA Form 2404. If you find something seriously wrong, IMMEDIATELY report it to your supervisor.
- 3. Before performing preventive maintenance, read all the checks required for the applicable interval and prepare all the tools you need to make all the checks. You'll always need a rag (Item 16, WP 0020 00 00) or two.
  - a. **Keep It Clean.** Dirt, grease, oil, and debris get in the way and may cover up a serious problem. Clean as you work and as needed. Use detergent (Item 4, WP 0020 00 00) and water when you clean metal, rubber, plastic, and painted surfaces.
  - b. **Rust and Corrosion.** Check metal parts for rust and corrosion. If any bare metal or corrosion exists, clean and apply a light coat of lubricating oil (Item 14, WP 0020 00). Report it to your supervisor.
  - c. Bolts, Nuts, and Screws. Check bolts, nuts, and screws for obvious looseness, missing, bent, or broken condition. You can't try them all with a tool, but look for chipped paint, bare metal, or rust around bolt heads. If you find one you think is loose, tighten it.
  - d. **Welds.** Look for loose or chipped paint, rust, or gaps where parts are welded together. If you find a bad weld, report it to your supervisor.
  - e. **Electric Wires and Connectors.** Look for cracked or broken insulation, bare wires, and loose or broken connectors. Tighten loose connectors and ensure that the wires are in good condition.
  - f. **Hoses and Fluid Lines.** Look for wear, damage, and signs of leaks. Ensure that clamps and fittings are tight. Wet spots indicate leaks, but a stain around a fitting or connector can also mean a leak. If a leak comes from a loose fitting or connector, tighten it. If something is broken or worn out, report it to your supervisor.
  - g. Fluid Leakage. It is necessary for you to know how fluid leakage affects the status of your M915A3 Tractor Truck. Following are types/classes of leakage you need to know to be able to determine the status of your truck. Learn these leakage definitions and remember when in doubt, notify your supervisor.

# PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKS AND SERVICES (PMCS) INTRODUCTION - CONTINUED

0011 00

#### **GENERAL PMCS PROCEDURES - CONTINUED**

### **CAUTION**

- Equipment operation is allowed with minor leakages (Class I or II). Consideration must be given to fluid capacity in the item/system being checked/inspected. When in doubt, notify your supervisor.
- When operating with Class I or II leaks, continue to check fluid levels as required in the PMCS.
- Class III leaks should be reported immediately to your supervisor.

### **Leakage Definitions for PMCS**

Class I	Seepage of fluid (as indicated by wetness or discoloration) not great enough to form drops.
Class II	Leakage of fluid great enough to form drops, but not enough to cause drops to drip from item being checked/inspected.

Class III Leakage of fluid great enough to form drops that fall

from item being checked/inspected.

# PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKS AND SERVICES (PMCS)

0012 00

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
			NOTE	
			all WARNINGS, CAUTIONS, and PMCS and operating the truck.	NOTEs before per-
			all PMCS checks if:	
			are the assigned operator but have no the last weekly inspection.	ot operated the truck
		b. You a	re operating the truck for the first tir	ne.
		FRONT AND LEFT SIDE		
1	Before	Overall View	a. Check under truck for evidence of fluid leakage such as oil, coolant or fuel.	a. Class III oil, coolant or fuel leaks are evident.
		NOTE		
		If leakage is detected, further investigation is required to determine location and cause of leak.		
			b. Check truck for obvious damage that would impair operation.	b. Damage that would impair operation is evident.
			c. Visually check tires for defects, underinflation or loose or missing wheel studs or lug nuts.	c. Tire is missing, deflated, unservice- able or two or more wheel studs or lug nuts are missing.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

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		Location			
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:	
2	Before	Cab Exte-	Check for damage to lights (10),		
		rior	spotting mirrors (1), side mirror (4), windshield (2), windshield wipers and blades (3), cab door (9), grabhandle (5), battery box (8) and steps, master battery switch (7), and collision warning system (CWS) antenna (11).	and impair operation is evident.	
3	Before	Spare Wheel and Tire	Check for presence and condition of spare wheel and tire (6).	Spare wheel and tire is missing or damaged.	
	10 11 10 9 8 342-001				
4	Before	REAR AND RIGHT SIDE Overall View	a. Check under truck for evidence of fluid leakage such as oil,	or fuel leaks are evi-	
			coolant or fuel.	dent.	
			<b>NOTE</b> e is detected, further investigation in the strength of the strength o	is required to deter-	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

1	betvices (TWES) for M713A3 - Continued.			
		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
4 (Con't)	Before	Overall View	b. Check truck for obvious damage that would impair operation.	b. Damage that would impair operation is evident.
			c. Check tires for defects, underin- flation or loose or missing wheel studs or lug nuts.	0.1
5		Cab Exterior	Check for damage to lights (10), side mirror (12), cab door (9), grabhandles (5), steps (13), and collision warning system (CWS) side sensor (14).	interfere with visibility and impair operation is
	5 12 9 13 14 342-002			
6	Before	CAB INTERIOR Instrument Panel	NOTE  Refer to WP 0004 00 for the I switches, and indicator lights.	ocation of all gages,
			Check for damage to gages, switches, and indicator and warning lights.	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

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		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
7	Before	Fire Extin- guisher	a. Check for missing or damaged fire extinguisher (15).	a. Fire extinguisher is missing or damaged.
			b. Check gage (16) for proper pressure of approximately 150 psi (1034 kPa).	b. Pressure gage needle is in recharge area.
			c. Check for damaged or missing seal (17).	c. Seal is broken or missing.
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Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

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Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:	
8	Before	Engine Startup	a. Start engine. Verify that low air pressure warning light (18) and warning buzzer turn off.	a. Engine will not start.  Low air pressure or  warning light and  warning buzzer stay  on.	
			b. Check that ABS indicator lights (19) turn off after 4 second self-test. If not, notify supervisor.	b. Any warning light stays on.	
	FASTEN SEAT BELT  19  18  18  18  18  18  18  18				
			c. Check that all warning lights go out after approximately 7 seconds.  NOTE  DO NOT run engine above pressure gage indicates at least	-	
			idle speed.  d. Check engine rpm on tachometer.	speed is not 600 rpm.	
9	Before	Seats and Seat Belts	a. Check seats and seat belts for security of mounting and damage.	a. Seat belts are not serviceable.	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
9 (Con't)	Before	Seats and Seat Belts	All adjustments should be made mary air pressure gage must it of 60 psi (414 kPa) to adjust he	ndicate a minimum eight of seat.
			b. Check for proper operation of seat height adjustment valve lever (22) and fore and aft seat adjustment lever (24). Check for proper operation of lumbar adjustment knob (20), seat back adjustment lever (21), and seat tilt knob (23).	b. Seat missing or inoperative.
		20	21	
10	Before	Steering Wheel	Adjust tilt and height of steering wheel.	Steering wheel does not lock into adjusted
11	Before	Side Mir- rors	Adjust side mirrors as required.	position.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
12	Before	Instru-	CAUTIO	N
		ment Panel Gages and Indicator and Warn- ing Lights	At 1700-2100 rpm, minimum for safe operation is 15 psi (10 not show at least 15 psi (10 engine and notify supervisor. should go out in approximately to follow this caution will dam	3 kPa). If gage does 3 kPa), shut down All warning lights y 7 seconds. Failure
			a. Check oil pressure gage. Reading should be 15-50 psi (103-344 kPa) at idle.	a. Gage reading is not within limits.
			b. Check primary and secondary air pressure gages for 90-120 psi (621-827 kPa) (green band).	b. Gage reads less than 65 psi (448 kPa) (yellow band), warning buzzer stays on, or gage is not operating.
			c. Check that voltmeter registers within green band.	c. Needle is in yellow or red band.
			d. Check that fuel supply gage registers and indicates adequate fuel for mission.	
			e. Check air cleaner restriction indicator.	e. Indicator window shows 20 in. (51 cm) or more of water vacuum.
13	Before	Parking Brake	With service brake pedal depressed, transmission in D (Drive), and engine at idle, pull parking brake valve out and release service brake pedal. Vehicle should not move.	Vehicle moves with parking brake applied.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
14	Before	Service Brakes	With transmission in D (Drive), release parking brake and apply service brakes. Vehicle should not move.	Vehicle moves with service brakes ap- plied.
15	Before	Trailer Brakes	Perform this check with trailer are coupled.	r after tractor/trailer
			a. Listen for air leaks at interve- hicular connecting hoses, relay valve, and air reservoirs.	a. Any air leaks are present.
			b. Apply trailer brakes only and attempt to move tractor/trailer combination.	b. Brakes fail to hold tractor/trailer com- bination from mov- ing.
16	During	Instru- ment Panel/CWS Displays	a. Monitor all gages and indicator and warning lights. Check that engine coolant and transmission oil temperature gages register within normal range (green band).	a. Any red warning light stays on.
			b. Monitor indicator lights on driver's display unit and side sensor display. If system fail light illuminates, continue mis- sion and turn CWS off. Notify supervisor.	
17	During	Brakes	a. Check brakes for pulling or grabbing.	a. Brakes pull or grab.
			b. Check that brake pedal is firm and does not fully depress to floor.	b. Brake pedal is spongy or de- presses fully to floor.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
18	During	Steering	Check for smooth steering without pulling to one side or excessive play [more than 2½ in. (6.4 cm)] in steering wheel.	pulls, or has excessive
19	During	Power Train	Check for unusual noise or vibration from engine, transmission, drive shafts, axles, and wheels.	
20	During	Air Condi-	NOTE	'
		tioner	Perform the following inspecti tioner is required due to climat	-
			Turn air conditioner on and set blower to maximum cooling speed settings. Wait five minutes to allow temperature to stabilize. Check outlet ducts for cool air. If air is not cooler than ambient tem- perature, notify supervisor.	
21	After	Overall	Be alert for evidence of fluid leak-	
		Leakage	age.	fuel leaks are evident.
		_	e is detected, further investigation attion and cause of leak.	is required to deter-
		FRONT AND LEFT SIDE		
22	After	Overall View	a. Check under truck for evidence of fluid leakage such as oil, coolant or fuel.	
		NOTE		
		If leakage is detected, further investigation is required to determine location and cause of leak.		
			b. Check front gladhands for damage. Ensure that gladhand vent holes are not plugged. Ensure that dummy couplings are installed.	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location				
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:		
22 (Con't)	After	Overall View	c. Check truck for obvious damage that would impair operation.	c. Damage that would impair operation is evident.		
			d. Check for damage to front service and blackout lights and marker clearance lights.	d. Lights are damaged.		
			e. Check CWS antenna and side sensor for obvious damage.			
23	After	Wheels and	WARNIN	iG		
		Tires	Operating truck with an under tire may lead to tire failure a control. Injury to personnel of ment may result.	and loss of steering		
			Visually check tires for defects, underinflation or loose or missing wheel studs or lug nuts.			
24	After	Front Axle Wheel Bearings	Check that lubricating oil is visible in sight glass (26) and rubber plug (25) is installed. If oil is not visible in sight glass, remove plug and add until level is even with plug opening (WP 0016 00).			
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Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location				
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:		
25	After	Power Steering Reservoir	With fluid at operating temperature and engine running, remove dipstick (27) and check level of power steering fluid in reservoir (28). Add fluid as required if level is below add mark (WP 0016 00).			
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Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
26	After	Fuel Filters	WARNIN DO NOT perform fuel system	checks, inspections,
			or maintenance while smol flames, or sparks. Fuel may ig or death to personnel and dama	gnite, causing injury
			NOTE	
			Both primary fuel filter mou- fuel filter/water separator mo- rail should be drained.	
			Ensure that a suitable contain fluid.	ner is used to catch
			Turn drain knob (30) counter- clockwise and drain all water from fuel filters (29). Turn knob clockwise to close.	
6				29
			3	342-2002

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
27	After	Intervehicular Air Hoses and Electrical Connectors	Check for presence and general condition of intervehicular air hoses (31), gladhands (32), gladhand preformed packings (33), and three electrical connectors (34).	Electrical connector is damaged.
	31	32	34	342-2023

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
28	After	Fifth Wheel	a. Check fifth wheel lube plates (36) for severe chips, wear, cracks, gouges or bends. Check if 25% or more of lube plate coating is missing from one or both plates due to normal wear or damage.	a. One or both lube plates are loose, missing or damaged.
			b. Check for operation and damage to lock release levers (39), slide locking plungers (38), sliding rails (37), and fifth wheel plate (35).	b. Lock release levers do not operate. Locking jaw mecha- nism is cracked or worn.
		35	36	
		39	342-088	
		REAR AND RIGHT SIDE		
29	After	Overall View	a. Check under truck for evidence of fluid leakage such as oil, coolant or fuel.	a. Class III oil, coolant, or fuel leaks are evi- dent.
			b. Check rear gladhands for damage. Ensure that gladhand vent holes are not plugged. Ensure that dummy couplings are installed.	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
29 (Con't)	After	Overall View	c. Check truck for obvious damage that would impair operation.	c. Damage that would impair operation is evident.
			d. Check for damage to rear service and blackout lights and marker clearance lights.	d. Lights are damaged.
			e. Check for damage to exhaust system components. Ensure that components are securely mounted and are not leaking.	e. Pipe, clamp or hard- ware damaged or missing.
30	After	Wheels and	WARNIN	IG
		Tires	Operating truck with an under tire may lead to tire failure a control. Injury to personnel o ment may result.	and loss of steering
			Check tires for defects, underinflation or loose or missing wheel studs or lug nuts.	Tire is missing, deflated, unservice- able or two or more wheel studs or lug nuts are missing.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
31	After	Fifth Wheel Ramps	Check for damage to fifth wheel ramps (44).	Damage that prevents coupling is present.
32	After	Taillights	Check for damage to taillights (41).	Taillights are damaged.
33	After	Trailer Gladhands	Check for presence of dummy couplings (42) and damage to trailer gladhands (40).	Damage that prevents air from applying trailer brakes when coupled.
34	After	Mud Flaps	Check for presence and general condition of mud flaps (43).	Mud flaps are missing.
30	41 42 42 43 44 3342-057			
35	After	Fuel Tank	DO NOT smoke or permit any of truck while servicing dies sure hose nozzle is grounded during refueling to prevent stature to follow this warning mapersonnel or equipment damage	open flame in area sel fuel system. Be l against filler tube atic electricity. Fail- y result in injury to

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
	Interval	Check/	a. Check for presence and condition of fuel filler cap (46). b. Check fuel tank (45) for leaks, damage, and security of mounting.  45  c. Remove fuel tank filler cap (46) and fill fuel tank (45) to holes [approximately 3 in. (7.6 cm)] in filler neck. Ensure that filler cap is free of debris and other material that could interfere with air venting. Install filler cap.	a. Filler cap is missing or damaged. b. Class III fuel leaks are evident.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
36	After	Front Axle Wheel Bearings	Check that lubricating oil is visible in sight glass (26) and rubber plug (25) is installed. If oil is not visible in sight glass, remove plug and add until level is even with plug opening (WP 0016 00).	
		26 25	342.053	
37	After	Transmis-	CAUTIO	N
		sion	Transmission must not be op- periods of time until a Hot proper fluid level. Transmissio from extended operation at in conditions.	Check has verified n damage can result
			With truck on level ground, start engine and run at idle with transmission in N (Neutral) until transmission oil temperature gage registers 60-120°F (16-49°C). Perform cold oil check (WP 0016 00). When temperature has reached 160-200°F (71-94°C), perform hot oil check (WP 0016 00). Add transmission fluid as required through fill tube (47) until level on dipstick (48) is correct (WP 0016 00). Shut down engine.	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
37 (Con't)	After	Transmis- sion		
	48	47	342-0	58

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
38	After	Air Reser- voirs	NOTE	
		voirs	Perform the following service	at all air reservoirs.
			Open air reservoir drain valves (49), using cable pulls if present, and allow all air and liquid condensation to drain. When fully drained, close drain valve.	
			49	49

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
39	After	Engine Crankcase	To ensure an accurate readin parked on level ground. Wai shutting down engine to allow crankcase.  Remove dipstick (50) and check level of lubricating oil. Safe operating level is between ADD and FULL marks on dipstick. If level is low, add oil through filler opening (51) until level on dipstick is correct (WP 0016 00).	t 10 minutes after
			51 50	342-058

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
40	After	Radiator	DO NOT remove radiator ca cold. Remove cap in two steps cloth over cap and slowly turn Pause and allow pressure to esther left until it can be remove ized cooling system and eswater, or coolant will cause ser Remove radiator cap (52) and check coolant level in radiator (53). Coolant must be within 2½	p unless engine is . First, place a thick cap left to first stop. scape. Turn cap fur- d. This is a pressur- scaping steam, hot
		52	in. (6.4 cm) below filler neck. Add coolant as required (WP 0016 00).	
41	After	Horns	Vehicle operation with inoperate AR 385-55.  If tactical situation permits, check operation of electrical and air horns.	ative horn may vio-
42	After	Accessory Items	Verify that windshield wipers and heater/ventilator or air conditioner operate.	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
43	After	Lights	NOTE	
			Vehicle operation with dama headlights or stoplights may vi	
			a. Check for presence and operation of service drive, turn signal, blackout marker blackout drive, and marker clearance lights.	
			b. Check operation of tail/stop- lights. Depress brake pedal approximately ¼ in. (6.4 mm). Tail/stoplights should come on.	
44	After	Front Axle Stops	Check for loose, missing, or damaged front axle stops.	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
		FRONT AND LEFT SIDE		
45	Weekly	Drive Belts	a. Check for loose, missing, bro- ken, frayed, or cracked drive belts (55). Notify supervisor if loose drive belts are suspected.	a. Any drive belt is loose, missing, broken, cracked to the belt fiber, has more than one crack 1/8 in. (3.2 mm) in depth, or has frays more than 2 in. (5.1 cm) long.
			b. Check for damaged pulleys (54).	b. Pulley is damaged.
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Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
46	Weekly	Ether Quick- start Sys- tem	WARNIN	IG
			Ether is highly flammable a NOT perform ether quick-star inspections while smoking or sparks. Failure to follow this was fire and explosion, causing set to personnel.	rt system checks or near fire, flame or varning may cause a
			Check for loose connections and damage to lines, fittings, and canister. Be alert for the odor of leaking ether.	Damage or leakage is evident.
47	Weekly	Wind- shield Washer Reservoir	Check level of fluid in reservoir located in engine compartment below driver windshield on left firewall. Add windshield cleaning compound (Item 3, WP 0020 00) as required.	
48	Weekly	Front Wheel and Tire	Operating truck with an under tire may lead to tire failure a control. Injury to personnel o ment may result.	inflated or defective and loss of steering
			a. Check pressure in tires and adjust as required:  Empty - 85 psi (586 kPa)  Loaded - 105 psi (724 kPa)	
			b. Ensure all wheel stud lug nuts are tight, using wheel stud lug nut wrench and handle.	b. Two or more wheel studs are missing or lug nuts are loose.
			c. Check wheel for cracks, breaks, or bends.	c. Wheel is cracked, broken, or bent.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
	Interval	Check/	Procedure  WARNIN  To avoid eye injury, eye prowhen working around batterie use open flame, make sparks, tion sources around batteries. It off gases, it can explode and sonnel. Remove all jewelry suwatches, and bracelets. If jew tacts a battery terminal, a directinstant heating, injury to person equipment.  CAUTIO  To reduce battery damage, chement for corrosion (greenish do not jerk or pull on battery inspection.  a. Release latches (59) and remove cover (56). Check battery compartment for damaged or missing batteries.  b. Check for damaged or missing filler caps (57).	capable If:  Discrete tion is required so the content of a battery is giving cause injury to perchast rings, ID tags, welry or a tool content short will result in much, and damage to the content short will result in much, and damage to the content short will result in much, and damage to the content short will result in much, and damage to the content short will result in much, and damage to the content short will result in much, and damage to the content short will result in the content sh
			c. Check for missing, broken, split, or frayed cables (60).	c. Cables are missing, broken, split, or frayed.
			d. Check for damaged terminal posts (58).	d. Terminal posts are damaged.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
49 (Con't)	Weekly	Batteries	e. Check for rust and corrosion.	
			f. Check for cleanliness. g. Report any problems to Unit Maintenance.	
		60	56 58 58 342-061	7
50	Weekly	Spare Wheel and	WARNIN	
		Tire	Operating truck with an underitire may lead to tire failure a control. Injury to personnel or ment may result.	nd loss of steering
			a. Check pressure in tire and adjust as required to achieve 105 psi (724 kPa).	
			b. Check wheel for cracks, breaks, or bends.	b. Wheel is cracked, broken, or bent.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
51	Weekly	Forward- rear and Rear-rear Wheels and Tires	Operating truck with an under tire may lead to tire failure a control. Injury to personnel of ment may result.	inflated or defective and loss of steering
			a. Check pressure in tires and adjust as required:  Empty - 80 psi (552 kPa)  Loaded - 100 psi (690 kPa)	
			b. Ensure all wheel stud lug nuts are tight, using wheel stud lug nut wrench and handle.	b. Two or more wheel studs are missing or lug nuts are loose.
		UNDER	c. Check wheel for cracks, breaks, or bends.	c. Wheel is cracked, broken, or bent.
52	Weekly	VEHICLE Steering Components	Check front axle steering components for cracks, breaks, loose connections, or other damage.	Any steering component is cracked, broken, or loose.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
53	Weekly	Axle	NOTE	
		Breathers	Perform the following service the front axle.	at all axles except
			Without removing breather vent (61), check for a clogged vent. Clean with detergent (Item 4, WP 0020 00) as required to remove dirt and grease.	
			342-062	
	I	I	walls.	
54	Weekly	Brake Chambers	NOTE  Perform the following che	eck at all axles
			Check brake chamber service pushrod for showing of stroke alert indicator (62).	Stroke alert indicator is
		62	342-063	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

Item No.     Interval     Item To Check/ Service     Procedure     Not Fully Mission Capable If:       REAR AND RIGHT SIDE     Not Fully Mission Capable If:       55     Weekly     Pintle Hook     Check pintle hook (63) for looseness, damaged locking mechanism, and presence of cotter pin.
AND RIGHT SIDE  S5 Weekly Pintle Check pintle hook (63) for loose- ness, damaged locking mecha-
Hook ness, damaged locking mecha-
342-064
Weekly Rear-rear and Forward-rear Wheels and Tires  WARNING  Operating truck with an underinflated or defective tire may lead to tire failure and loss of steering control. Damage to equipment or injury to personnel may result.
a. Check pressure in tires and adjust as required:  Empty - 80 psi (552 kPa)  Loaded - 100 psi (690 kPa)  b. Ensure all wheel stud lug nuts are tight, using wheel stud lug nut wrench and handle  c. Check wheel for cracks, breaks, or bends.  b. Two or more wheel studs are missing or lug nuts are loose.  c. Wheel is cracked broken, or bent.

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

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		Location		
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:
57	Weekly	Front	WARNIN	IG
		Wheel and Tire	Operating truck with an under tire may lead to tire failure a control. Damage to equipment nel may result.	and loss of steering
			a. Check pressure in tires and adjust as required:  Empty - 85 psi (586 kPa)  Loaded - 105 psi (724 kPa)	
			b. Ensure all wheel stud lug nuts are tight, using wheel stud lug nut wrench and handle	
			c. Check wheel for cracks, breaks, or bends.	c. Wheel is cracked, broken, or bent.
			WARNIN	IG
			DO NOT touch hot exhaust possible Severe burns will result.	ipe with bare hands.
			NOTE	
			Operation of vehicle with day violate AR 385-55.	maged exhaust may
58	Weekly	Exhaust System	Inspect exhaust stack and muffler for damaged pipes, missing clamps, obvious damage, and rusted-through conditions that create exhaust leaks.	ware damaged or miss- ing that have caused
		CAB INTERIOR		
59	Weekly	Doors and Windows	Check operation and general condition of cab doors and windows.	

Table 1. Preventive Maintenance Checks and Services (PMCS) for M915A3 - Continued.

		Location							
Item No.	Interval	Item To Check/ Service	Procedure	Not Fully Mission Capable If:					
		OVER- ALL VEHICLE							
60	Monthly	Undercarriage, Frame, Cab, and Propeller Shafts	a. Check for obvious damage to frame and undercarriage.	a. Any loose or broken frame side rails, crossmembers, bro- ken welds, or broken bolts are found.					
			b. Check propeller shafts and U- joints for loose or broken bolts and nuts.	b. Mounting bolts and nuts are loose or missing.					
61	Monthly	Air System	Check all air lines, fittings, and valves for looseness or damage.	Any air lines, fittings, or valves are loose or damaged.					
62	Monthly	Spare Wheel and Tire and Vehicle Tires	a. Check spare wheel and tire for cuts, gouges, cracks, or uneven wear.	a. Spare wheel and tire is missing or damaged.					
			b. Check for secure mounting of spare wheel and tire.						
			c. Check all vehicle tires for cuts, gouges, cracks, or uneven wear.	c. Any tire is missing or damaged.					
63	Monthly	Radiator	Remove dirt and debris from cooling fins.						
64	Monthly	Air Conditioner	Check air conditioner operation. Operate for at least five minutes to help prevent drying and crack- ing of tubing seals and reduce refrigerant leaks in the system.						



#### WARNING

Compressed air used for cleaning or drying purposes, or for clearing restrictions, should never exceed 30 psi (207 kPa). Wear protective clothing (goggles/shield, gloves, etc.) and use caution to avoid injury to personnel.

## **CAUTION**

DO NOT use high pressure water to clean inside of cab or engine compartment. Damage to electrical system may result.

#### 1. Exterior.

- a. Never wipe dirt off when vehicle is dry.
- b. Never wash vehicle in direct sunlight or if vehicle exterior is hot to touch.
- c. Wash vehicle often using cold or lukewarm water (never use hot water or any strong detergent). Do not use abrasives to remove mud and dirt from your vehicle.
- d. While cleaning vehicle, look closely for evidence of rust or corrosion, bare metal, or other exterior damage. If any problems are found, notify Unit Maintenance to treat affected areas.

#### 2. **Interior.**

- a. Remove loose dust and dirt from cab interior components.
- b. Clean upholstery and seat belts using a mild solution of warm water and soap (never use solvents or abrasives). Wipe all washed areas dry.

## 3. Refueling.

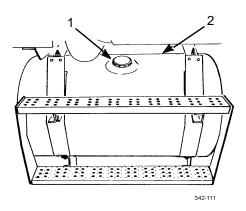


# **WARNING**

- DO NOT smoke or permit any open flame in area of truck while servicing diesel fuel system. Be sure hose nozzle is grounded against filler tube during refueling to prevent static electricity. Failure to follow this warning may result in injury to personnel or equipment damage.
- Auxiliary heater, if equipped, must be switched to OFF while refueling.
   Fuel may ignite, causing injury or death to personnel and damage to vehicle.
- Fuel tank cap may become hot during vehicle operation. Use hand protection when removing fuel cap.

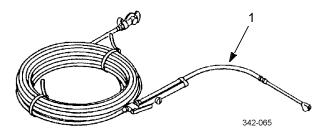
# **NOTE**

- Place portable fire extinguisher within reach prior to refueling.
- DO NOT overfill fuel tank.
- If fuel starts foaming from fuel tank, stop IMMEDIATELY to avoid fuel spillage.
- a. Shut down engine.
- b. Ensure that auxiliary heater, if equipped, is switched to OFF.
- c. Wipe off dirt on and around fuel filler cap (1).
- d. Remove filler cap (1) by rotating cap counterclockwise.
- e. Fill tank (2) to holes [approximately 3 in. (7.6 cm)] in filler neck.
- f. Install filler cap (1) by rotating cap clockwise as far as it will go.

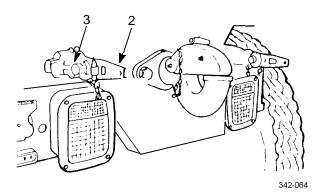


# WHEEL AND TIRE MAINTENANCE

1. Remove pneumatic hose (1) with gage from BII storage box.

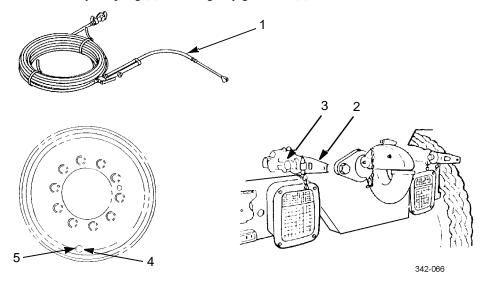


2. Remove dummy coupling (2). Connect pneumatic hose (1) to emergency gladhand (red) (3) on left rear of vehicle.



## WHEEL AND TIRE MAINTENANCE - CONTINUED

- 3. Start engine. Push in (ON) trailer air supply control valve.
- 4. Remove valve stem cap (4) and connect pneumatic hose (1) to valve stem (5).
- 5. Add air until desired pressure is reached.
- 6. Remove pneumatic hose (1) from valve stem (5) and install valve stem cap (4).
- 7. Pull out (OFF) trailer air supply control valve. Shut down engine.
- 8. Disconnect pneumatic hose (1) from emergency gladhand (3) and return to BII storage box.
- 9. Install dummy coupling (2) on emergency gladhand (3).



# OPERATION OF SPARE WHEEL AND TIRE ASSEMBLY CARRIER

# 1. Remove Spare Wheel and Tire Assembly from Carrier.

- a. Ensure pawl (2) engages gear shaft (1) and loosen two nuts (4).
- b. Slide spare wheel and tire assembly (5) to allow nuts (4) to pass through keyway opening.
- c. Turn gear shaft (1) clockwise slightly and disengage pawl (2). Swing pawl out of way.

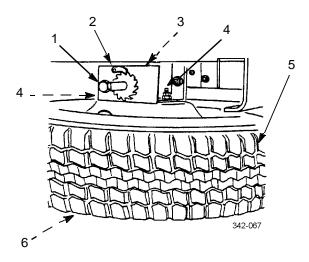
## OPERATION OF SPARE WHEEL AND TIRE ASSEMBLY CARRIER - CONTINUED



## WARNING

Use caution when lifting or handling wheel and tire assembly. It is heavy and could cause injury if improperly lifted or if it falls on you.

d. Slowly rotate gear shaft (1) counterclockwise one notch.



- e. Support spare wheel and tire assembly (5) and remove wheel clamp plate (6).
- f. Repeat steps c. and d. until spare wheel and tire assembly (5) is lowered to ground.
- g. Remove two nuts (4).

## 2. <u>Install Spare Wheel and Tire Assembly on Carrier.</u>

- a. Secure hoist cable (3) by inserting wheel clamp plate (6) through wheel opening.
- b. Turn gear shaft (1) clockwise until spare wheel and tire assembly (5) is raised to stowed position.
- c. Engage pawl (2) on gear shaft (1).
- d. Install two nuts (4).

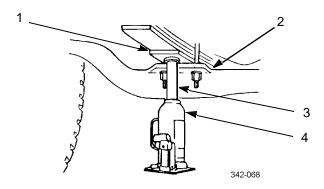
#### WHEEL AND TIRE ASSEMBLY REPLACEMENT

#### NOTE

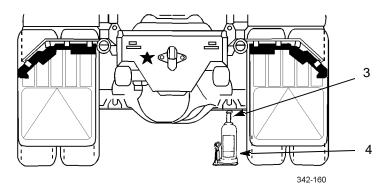
When changing tires, DO NOT substitute type or size tire unless all tires on the vehicle can be converted. Keep all tires the same size and type.

## 1. Placement of Jack.

a. For front tire replacement, place jack (4) so jack ram (3) is under first small leaf spring (1) just forward of axle (2).



b. For rear tire replacement, place jack (4) so jack ram (3) is under axle housing as near to wheels to be removed as possible.



# 2. Remove Wheel and Tire Assembly.

- a. Block wheels.
- b. Remove spare wheel and tire assembly from carrier.

#### NOTE

On both sides of vehicle, wheel nuts have right-hand metric threads.

- c. Turn wheel until one hub-pilot pad is in top-center position.
- d. Loosen top and bottom wheel nuts, and remove remaining eight wheel lugs nuts.
- e. Place jack in position.



## WARNING

Hydraulic jack is intended only for lifting truck, not for supporting vehicle to perform maintenance. DO NOT get under truck after it is raised unless it is properly supported with blocks or jackstands. Failure to observe this warning may result in death or injury to personnel.

- f. Raise jack until tire(s) clears ground.
- g. Remove top and bottom wheel lug nuts.



## **WARNING**

Use caution when lifting or handling wheel and tire assembly. It is heavy and could cause injury if improperly lifted or if it falls on you.

#### CAUTION

Wheel center hole and hub pilot have close tolerances. If wheel is not kept square to hub, it could bind during removal and damage stud threads or pilot pads. Keep wheel square to hub during removal.

h. Remove wheel and tire assembly using care not to allow assembly to drop on or drag across stud threads.

#### 3. Install Wheel and Tire Assembly.

- a. Inflate spare tire to proper pressure.
- b. Clean hub and wheel mounting surfaces on all disc faces of dual wheels.



# WARNING

Use caution when lifting or handling wheel and tire assembly. It is heavy and could cause injury if improperly lifted or if it falls on you.

#### CAUTION

Wheel center hole and hub pilot have close tolerances. If wheel is not kept square to hub, it could bind during installation and damage stud threads or pilot pads. Keep wheel square to hub during installation.

#### NOTE

Before installing wheels, ensure that drum is positioned on raised step of pilot pad. One of hub pilot pads must be at top location. To help keep drum in place, it may be necessary to adjust brakes before installing wheels.

c. Place one pilot pad in top-center position and position wheel assembly (inner wheel assembly of rear axles) on hub using care not to allow assembly to drop on or drag across stud threads.

## **NOTE**

Install wheel assembly so that balance weight(s) on wheels are 180° opposite of balance weight(s) on brake drum. If this causes valve stems to be in the same wheel hole on rear wheel assemblies, mount outer wheel so that outer wheel balance weight(s) are on same side as brake drum balance weight(s).

d. On rear axles, mount outer wheel against inner wheel in accordance with step c. Ensure that pilot pad is still centered at top.

# **CAUTION**

On both sides of vehicle, wheel lug nuts have right-hand threads. DO NOT attempt to install a similar size SAE nut on a stud. Failure to follow this caution will result in damage to stud and nut.

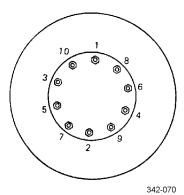
- e. Install and handtighten wheel lug nuts on top and bottom studs.
- f. Install and handtighten eight wheel lug nuts on remaining studs.
- g. Lower and remove jack.

# **WARNING**

Whenever wheel lug nuts require tightening or a wheel has been removed and replaced, lug nuts must be tightened to the required torque. Failure to follow this warning may result in serious injury to personnel and damage to equipment.

#### NOTE

- Tighten wheel nuts with wheel wrench. After 25 miles (40 km), retighten wheel nuts. Within next 75 miles (121 km), have Unit Maintenance torque wheel nuts to proper torque.
- Tightening pattern is identical for all wheel assemblies.
- h. Tighten wheel lug nuts according to tightening pattern.



WHEEL LUG NUT TIGHTENING PATTERN

- i. Notify Unit Maintenance as soon as possible to apply proper torque.
- j. Stow defective tire in spare wheel and tire carrier and have it replaced or repaired as soon as possible.
- k. Remove wheel blocks.

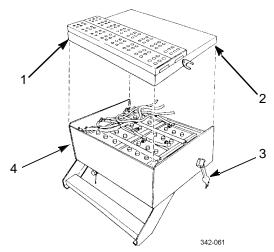






## WARNING

- To avoid eye injury, eye protection is required when working around batteries. DO NOT smoke, use open flame, make sparks, or create other ignition sources around batteries. If a battery is giving off gases, it can explode and cause injury to personnel. Remove all jewelry such as rings, ID tags, watches, and bracelets. If jewelry or a tool contacts a battery terminal, a direct short will result in instant heating, injury to personnel, and damage to equipment.
- Sulfuric acid contained in batteries can cause serious burns. If battery
  corrosion or electrolyte makes contact with skin, eyes, or clothing, take
  immediate action to stop the corrosive burning effects. Failure to follow
  these procedures may result in death or serious injury to personnel.
  - a. Eyes. Flush with cold water for no less than 15 minutes and seek medical attention immediately.
  - b. <u>Skin</u>. Flush with large amounts of cold water until all acid is removed. Seek medical attention as required.
  - c. <u>Internal</u>. If corrosion or electrolyte is ingested, drink large amounts of water or milk. Follow with milk of magnesia, beaten egg, or vegetable oil. Seek medical attention immediately.
  - d. <u>Clothing/Equipment</u>. Wash area with large amounts of cold water. Neutralize acid with baking soda or household ammonia.
- 1. Unfasten two latches (3) and slide battery box cover (2) outboard from battery box (4).
- 2. Slide battery box cover (2) on battery box (4) with step (1) outboard. Fasten two latches (3).



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#### **GENERAL**

#### NOTE

- These instructions are mandatory.
- This equipment is enrolled in the Army Oil Analysis Program (AOAP). Engine oil and transmission oil must be sampled every 90 days as prescribed by DA Pam 738-750.
- The M915A3 must receive lubrication with approved lubricants at recommended intervals in order to be mission-ready at all times.
- The Lubrication Chart shows lubrication points, items to be lubricated, the required lubricants, and recommended intervals for lubrication by the operator/crew. Any special lubrication instructions required for specific components are contained in the NOTES section of the chart.
- 3. The KEY and CHARTs A through C provide information needed to select the proper lubricant for various temperature ranges and uses, and identify the interval.
- 4. Recommended intervals are based on normal conditions of operation, temperature, and humidity. When operating under extreme conditions, lubricants should always be changed more frequently. When in doubt, notify your supervisor.

#### SPECIFIC LUBRICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Keep all lubricants in a closed container and store in a clean, dry place away from extreme heat. Keep container covers clean and do not allow dust, dirt, or other foreign material to mix with lubricants. Keep lubrication equipment clean and ready for use.
- 2. Maintain a record of lubrication performed and report any problems noted during lubrication. Refer to DA Pam 738-750 for maintenance forms and procedures to record and report any findings.
- 3. Keep all external parts of equipment not requiring lubrication free of lubricants. After lubrication, wipe off excess lubricant to prevent accumulation of foreign matter.
- 4. Refer to FM 9-207 for lubrication instructions in cold weather.

#### **LUBRICATION CHART**

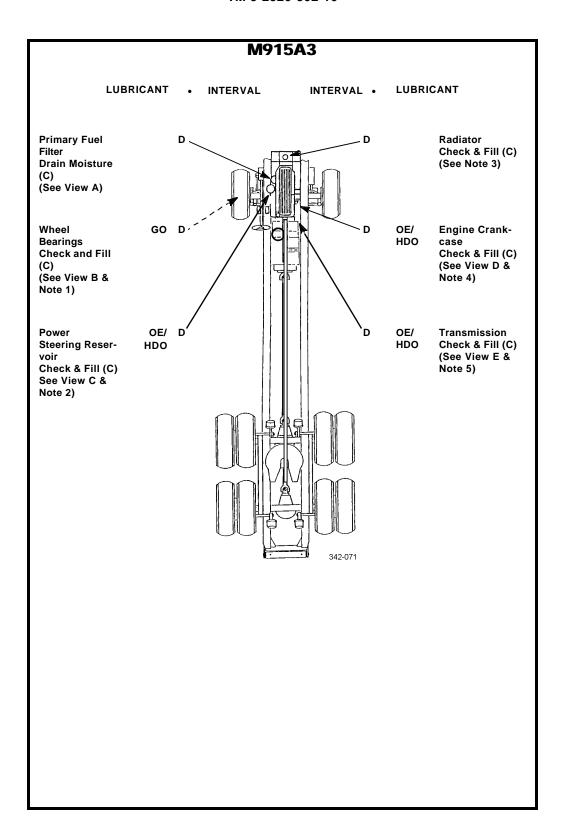
# TRUCK, TRACTOR, LINE HAUL: 52,000 GVWR, 6 X 4, M915A3 (NSN 2520-01-432-4847)

This Lubrication Chart is for the operator/crew (C). Lubrication intervals (on-condition or hard time) are based on normal operation. Lubricate more during constant use and less during inactive periods. Use correct grade of lubricant for seasonal temperature expected.

For equipment under manufacturer's warranty, hard time oil service intervals shall be followed. Intervals shall be shortened if lubricants are known to be contaminated or if operation is under adverse conditions (e.g., longer than usual operating hours, extended idling periods, extreme dust, etc.).

Clean area around lubrication points with detergent (Item 4, WP 0020 00) or equivalent before lubricating equipment. After lubrication, wipe off excess lubricant to prevent accumulation of foreign matter.

Dashed leader line indicates lubrication on both sides of vehicle.



		- KEY	<b>/</b> -											
	Expected Temperatures*													
Lubricant/ Component	Refill Capacity	+6°F to +122°F (-14°C to +50°C)	-4°F to +50°F (-20°C to +10°C)	-67°F to +32°F (-55°C to 0°C)	Intervals									
OE/HDO (MIL-L-2104) Lubricating Oil, ICE, Tactical					D - Daily W - Weekly OC - On Condition									
OEA (MIL-L-46167) Lubricating Oil, ICE, Arctic														
Engine Crankcase w/Filters	41 Qt (38.8 l)		See Chart A											
Transmission	51 Qt (48 l)		See Chart B											
Power Steering Reservoir	2 Qt (1.9 l)		See Chart A											
Oil Can Points	As Reqd		See Chart A											
GO (MIL-PRF-2105) Lubricating Oil, Gear, Multipurpose														
Front Axle Wheel Bearings	As Reqd		See Chart C											
ANTIFREEZE (MIL-A-46153) Ethylene Glycol, Inhibited, Heavy Duty														
Antifreeze (MIL-A-11755) Ethylene Glycol, Arctic Grade														
Engine Radiator	65 Qt (61.5 l)		See Chart D											
* For Arctic Operation	, refer to FM	9-207.												

Table 1. CHART A-ENGINE, POWER STEERING, AND OIL CAN POINTS

		EXPECTED TEMPERATURES																		
	°F	-70	-60	-50	-40	-30	-20	-10	0	+10	+20	+30	+40	+50	+60	+70	+80	+90	+100	+120
Lubricant	°C	-57	-51	-46	-40	-34	-29	-23	-18	-12	-7	-1	+4	+10	+16	+21	+27	+32	+38	+49
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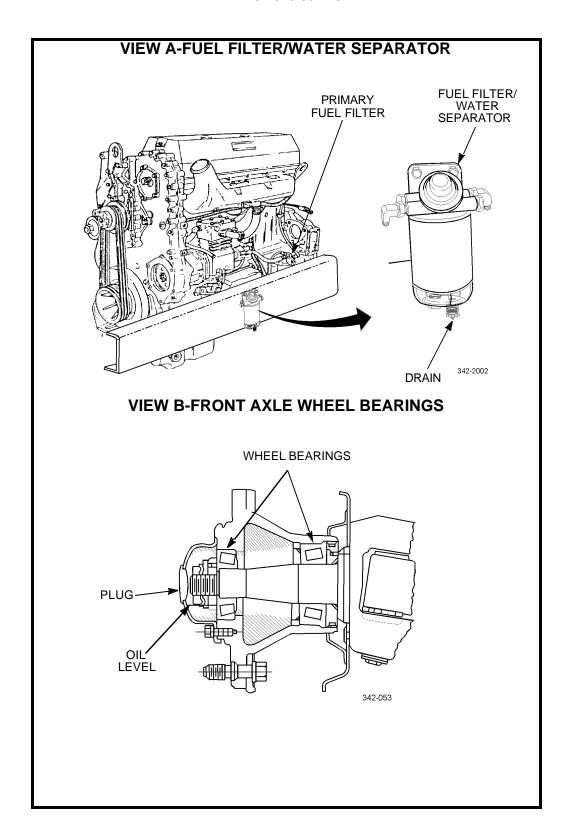
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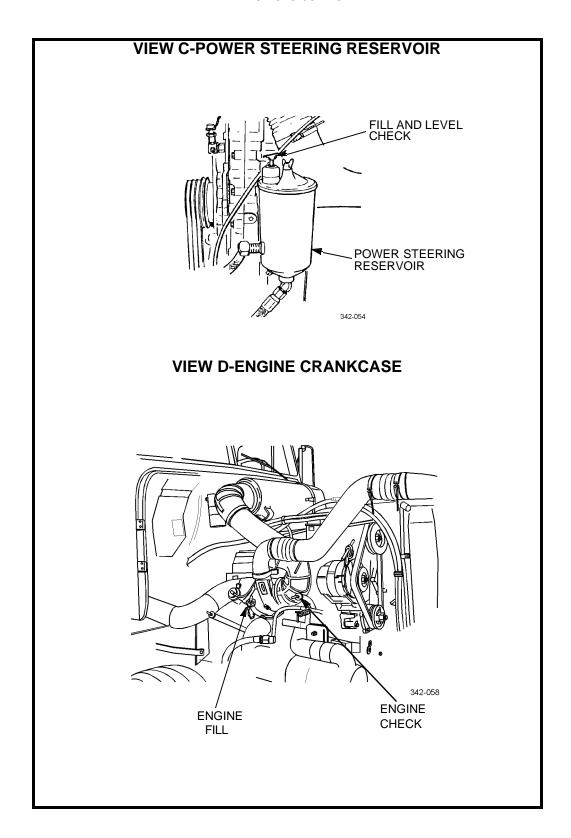
**Table 2. CHART B-TRANSMISSION** 

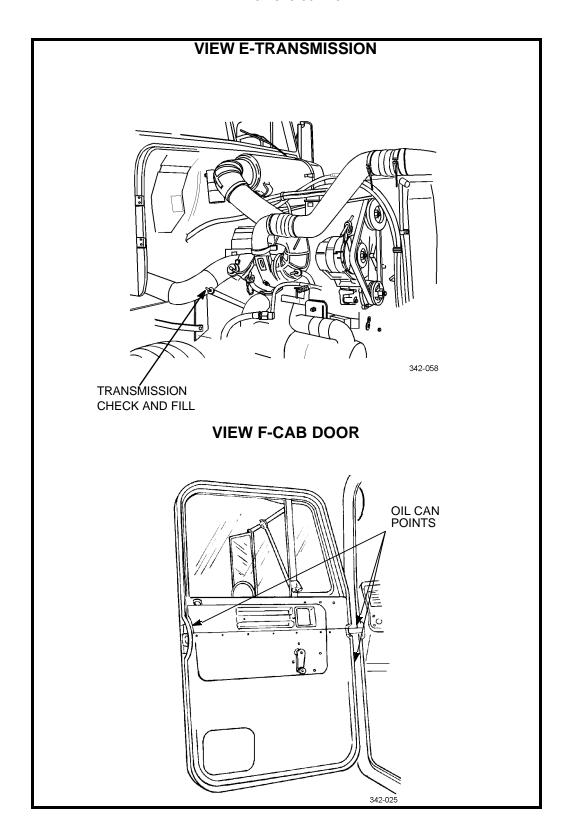
		EXPECTED TEMPERATURES																		
	°F	-70	-60	-50	-40	-30	-20	-10	0	+10	+20	+30	+40	+50	+60	+70	+80	+90	+100	+120
Lubricant	°C	-57	-51	-46	-40	-34	-29	-23	-18	-12	-7	-1	+4	+10	+16	+21	+27	+32	+38	+49
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OEA (MIL-L-46167)		Lubricating Oil, ICE, Arctic							_											
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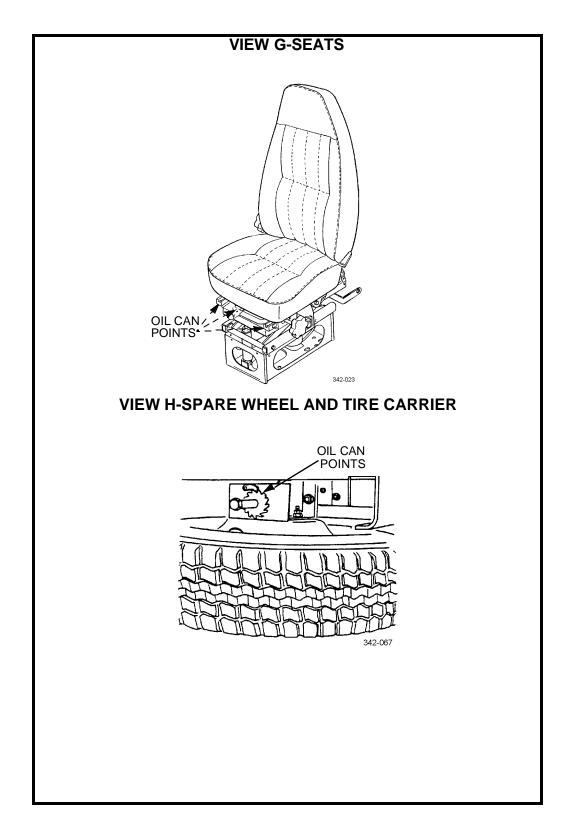
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	Table 3. CHART C-FRONT AXLE WHEEL BEARINGS																				
		EXPECTED TEMPERATURES																			
	°F	-70	-60	-50	-40	-30	-20	-10	0	+10	+20	) +3	) +4	0 +5	0 +6	0 +	70 +	-80	+90	+10 0	+12
Lubricant	°C	-57	-51	-46	-40	-34	-29	-23	-18	-12	-7	-1	+4	1 +1	0 +1	6 +	21 +	-27	+32	+38	+49
GO (MIL-PRF-2105)	9 ,																				
GO-75 (0 - 186)										<u> </u>			_	_							
GO-80/90 (0 - 226)																					_
GO-85/140 (0 - 228)																					
Table 4. CHART D-ANTIFREEZE  EXPECTED TEMPERATURES																					
	°F	-90								-10	0			+30	+40					+80	+90
MIL-A-46153	Slyco		, Ethy	/lene		-46	-40	-34	-29	-23	-18	-12	-7	-1	+4	+10	+10	6 +	21	+27	+32
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MIL-A-46153 MIL-A-11755		İ			1																_
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#### **NOTES:**

- 1. **FRONT AXLE WHEEL BEARINGS.** Daily, check that level of gear lubricating oil is visible in sight glass. If oil is not visible, remove rubber plug and add GO until level is even with plug opening. Install rubber plug.
- 2. **POWER STEERING RESERVOIR.** Daily, with engine running and fluid at operating temperature, remove dipstick from reservoir and check level of lubricating oil on dipstick. As required, add OE/HDO to bring level above the ADD mark on dipstick.
- 3. RADIATOR.



#### WARNING

DO NOT remove radiator cap unless engine is cold. Remove cap in two steps. First, place a thick cloth over cap and slowly turn cap left to first stop. Pause and allow pressure to escape. Turn cap further left until it can be removed. This is a pressurized cooling system and escaping steam, hot water, or coolant will cause serious burns.

Daily, with engine cool, remove radiator cap. Check level of coolant in radiator. Coolant must be within 2 1/2 in. (6.4 cm) below filler neck. As required, add coolant to correct level. Install radiator cap.

- 4. ENGINE CRANKCASE. Daily, check level of lubricating oil. Wait 10 minutes after shutting down engine to allow oil to drain back into crankcase. To ensure an accurate reading, vehicle must be parked on level ground. Safe operating level is between ADD and FULL marks on dipstick. As required, add OE/HDO through filler opening. DO NOT overfill.
- 5. TRANSMISSION.

#### **CAUTION**

Transmission must not be operated for extended periods of time until a Hot Check has verified proper fluid level. Transmission damage can result from extended operation at improper fluid level conditions.

**COLD OIL CHECK** (<u>COLD RUN</u> BAND). Run engine for one minute at idle speed. Idle engine in N (Neutral) until transmission reaches 60°-120°F (16°-49°C). Shift transmission to D (Drive), to R (Reverse), and return to N (Neutral). Remove dipstick from oil filler tube, wipe clean, and check oil level. Oil registering in the <u>COLD RUN</u> band indicates a sufficient quantity of oil to safely operate transmission until temperature reaches 160°-200°F (71°-93°C). If fluid level is not within <u>COLD RUN</u> band, add or drain fluid to bring level within the band. When temperature reaches 160°-200°F (71°-93°C), a hot oil check MUST be performed.

5.	TRANSMISSION - Continued.
	<b>HOT OIL CHECK</b> ( <u>HOT RUN</u> BAND). Be sure temperature has reached 160°-200°F (71°-93°C). With truck on level ground, engine idling, and transmission in N (Neutral), remove dipstick from oil filler tube, wipe clean, and check oil level. If oil registers in the <u>HOT RUN</u> band, quantity of oil in transmission is safe for operating vehicle. If fluid level registers on or below the bottom line of the <u>HOT RUN</u> band, add required amount of oil to bring oil level to the middle of the <u>HOT RUN</u> band.
6.	OIL CAN POINTS. On-condition or weekly, lubricate sparingly with OE/HDO: door
	hinges and latches (View G); driver and passenger seat adjusters and sliding tracks (View H); and spare wheel and tire carrier ratchet gear shaft (View I).

# CHAPTER 5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

REFERENCES 0017 00

#### SCOPE

This appendix lists all forms, field manuals, technical manuals, and other publications referenced in this manual and which apply to the operation of the M915A3 Tractor Truck.

#### **PUBLICATION INDEXES**

The following indexes should be consulted frequently for latest changes or revisions and for new publications relating to material covered in this technical manual. Consolidated Index of Army Publications and Blank Forms................DA Pam 25-30 Functional User's Manual for the Army Maintenance U.S. Army Equipment Index of Modification Work Orders . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . DA Pam 750-10 **FORMS** Refer to DA Pam 738-750, The Army Maintenance Management System (TAMMS), for instructions on the use of maintenance forms. Product Quality Deficiency Report. SF Form 368 Recommended Changes to Equipment Technical Publications . . . . . . . . . . DA Form 2028-2 FIELD MANUALS Camouflage......FM 5-20 Desert Operations FM 90-3 Operation and Maintenance of Ordnance Material in Extreme Cold Weather (0°F to 65°F)......FM 9-207 

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TECHNICAL MANUALS	
Operator's, Organizational, Direct Support and General Support Maintenance Manual for Lead-acid Storage Batteries	<b>1</b> 9-6140-200-14
Operator's, Unit, Direct Support and General Support Maintenance Manual for Care, Maintenance, Repair and Inspection of Pneumatic Tires and Inner Tubes	19-2620-200-14
Operator's, Unit, Direct Support, and General Support Maintenance Manual (Including Repair Parts and Special Tools List) for Semitrailer, Flatbed: Breakbulk/Container Transporter, 34 Ton M872/M872A1/M872A2/M872A3 TM 9-	-2330-359-14&P
Operator's, Unit, Direct Support, and General Support Maintenance Manual (Including Repair Parts and Special Tools List) for Semitrailer, Tactical, Dual Purpose Breakbulk/Container Transporter, 22 ½ Ton M871/M871A1	-2330-359-14&P
Operator's, Unit, Direct Support, and General Support  Maintenance Manual (Including Repair Parts and Special Tools List) for Semitrailer, Tank, Fuel, 7500 Gallon, M1062	-2330-384-14&P
Principles of Automotive Vehicles	TM 9-8000
Procedures for Destruction of Tank-automotive Equipment to Prevent Enemy Use	. TM 750-244-6
TECHNICAL BULLETINS	
CARC Spot Painting	TB 43-0242
Rust Proofing Procedures for Truck, Utility	TB 43-0213
Warranty Bulletin for M915A3 Tractor Truck	3 9-2320-302-15
OTHER PUBLICATIONS	
Abbreviations for Use on Drawings and in Specifications, Standards, and Technical Documents	.MIL-STD-12D
Army Medical Department Expendable/Durable Items	CTA 8-100
Expendable/Durable Items (Except Medical, Class V Repair Parts, and Heraldic Items)	CTA 50-970

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#### SCOPE

This work package lists COEI and BII for the M915A3 Tractor Truck to help you inventory items for safe and efficient operation of the equipment.

#### **GENERAL**

The COEI and BII information is divided into the following lists:

- Components of End Item (COEI). This list is for information purposes only and is not authority to requisition replacements. These items are part of the M915A3 Tractor Truck. As part of the end item, these items must be with the end item whenever it is issued or transferred between property accounts. Items of COEI are removed and separately packaged for transportation or shipment only when necessary. Illustrations are furnished to help you find and identify the items.
- 2. <u>Basic Issue Items</u>. These essential items are required to place the M915A3 Tractor Truck in operation, operate it, and to do emergency repairs. Although shipped separately packaged, BII must be with the M915A3 Tractor Truck during operation and when it is transferred between property accounts. Listing these items is your authority to request/requisition them for replacement based on authorization of the end item by the TOE/MTOE. Illustrations are furnished to help you identify the items.

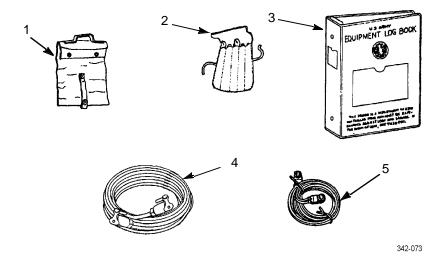
#### **EXPLANATION OF COLUMNS IN THE COEI AND BII LISTS**

- 1. Column (1) Illus Number. Gives you the number of the item illustrated.
- 2. <u>Column (2) National Stock Number (NSN)</u>. Indicates the stock number of the item to be used for requisitioning purposes.
- 3. <u>Column (3) Description, CAGEC, and Part Number.</u> Indicates the Federal item name (in all capital letters) followed by a minimum description when needed. The stowage location of COEI and BII is also included in this column. The last line below the description is the CAGEC (Commercial and Government Entity Code) (in parentheses) and the part number.
- 4. <u>Column (4) Usable On Code.</u> When applicable, gives you a code if the item you need is not the same for different models of equipment.
- 5. <u>Column (5) Unit of Measure (U/M).</u> Indicates the physical measurement or count of the item as issued per the National Stock Number shown in Column (2).
- 6. **Column (6) Qty/Rqr.** Indicates the quantity required.

# COMPONENTS OF END ITEM (COEI) AND BASIC ISSUE ITEMS (BII) LISTS - CONTINUED

**Table 1. Components of End Item List.** 

(1) Illus Number	(2) National Stock Number	(3)  Description, CAGEC, and Part Number	(4) Usable on Code	(5) U/M	(6) Qty Rqr
		None			



**Table 2. Basic Issue Items List.** 

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Illus Number	National Stock Number	Description, CAGEC, and Part Number	Usable on Code	U/M	Qty Rqr
1	2540-00-670-2459	BAG ASSY, PAMPHLET (in cab glove box) (19207) 11676920		ea	1
2	5140-00-356-8471	BAG, TOOL (in BII storage box) (19204) 7541507		ea	1
3	7510-00-889-3494	BINDER, LOOSELEAF (19207) 11677003		ea	1
4	6150-00-772-8814	CABLE ASSY: 24 Volt, 12 Ft (in BII storage box) (19207) 7728814		ea	1
5	6150-01-022-6004	CABLE, POWER: NATO (in BII storage box) (19207) 11682336-1		ea	1

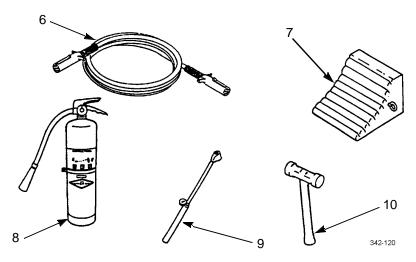


Table 2. Basic Issue Items List - Continued.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Illus Number	National Stock Number	Description, CAGEC, and Part Number	Usable on Code	U/M	Qty Rqr
6	TBD	CABLE ASSY, POWER: 12 Volt, 12 Ft (in BII storage box) (64678) 06-26246-144		ea	1
7	2540-00-678-3469	CHOCK, WHEEL (in BII storage box) (58536) A-A-52475-1		ea	2
8	4210-01-338-6064	EXTINGUISHER, FIRE (on cab floor) (54905) 447		ea	1
9	4910-01-003-9599	GAGE, TIRE PRESSURE (in cab glove box) (19207) 7974576-1		ea	1
10	5120-00-902-0092	HAMMER, HAND (in BII storage box) (58536) A-A-1292		ea	1

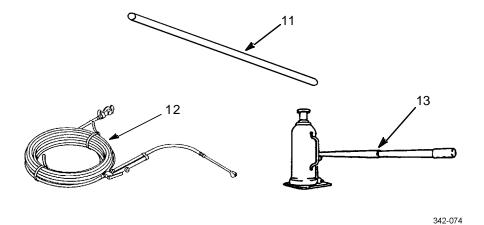
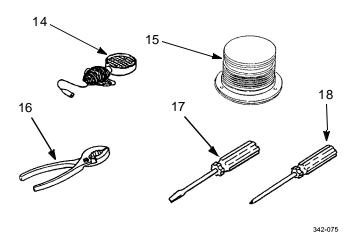


Table 2. Basic Issue Items List - Continued.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Illus Number	National Stock Number	Description, CAGEC, and Part Number	Usable on Code	U/M	Qty Rqr
11	TBD	HANDLE, WRENCH (in BII storage box) (34623) 44201		ea	1
12	4910-01-407-2953	HOSE PNEUMATIC: Tire Inflation with Gauge, 40 Ft (in BII storage box) (19207) 11677140-7		ea	1
13	5120-01-146-8096	JACK, HYDRAULIC: 12 Ton w/Handle (in BII storage box) (08844) JH-12		ea	1

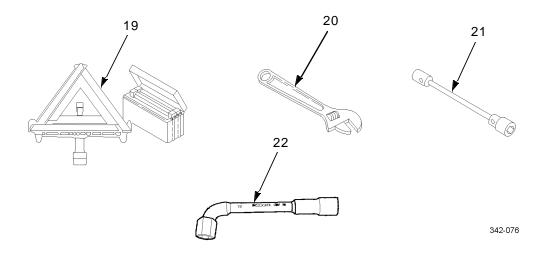


**Table 2. Basic Issue Items List - Continued.** 

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Illus Number	National Stock Number	Description, CAGEC, and Part Number	Usable on Code	U/M	Qty Rqr
14	6220-01-327-3225	LAMP UNIT, VEHICULAR: 12 Volt, 25 Ft Cord (in BII storage box) (78422) 1401152		ea	2
15	6220-01-218-4968	LIGHT, WARNING (10402) 01-06831466LAPA		ea	1
16	5120-01-398-7966	PLIERS, SLIPJOINT (in BII storage box) (72368) J26		ea	1
17	5120-00-227-7356	SCREWDRIVER, FLAT TIP (in BII storage box) (64067) 5120-00-227-7356		ea	1
18	5120-00-234-8913	SCREWDRIVER, CROSSTIP (in BII storage box) (75347) BD122		ea	1

# COMPONENTS OF END ITEM (COEI) AND BASIC ISSUE ITEMS (BII) LISTS - CONTINUED

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**Table 2. Basic Issue Items List - Continued.** 

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Illus Number	National Stock Number	Description, CAGEC, and Part Number	Usable on Code	U/M	Qty Rqr
19	9905-00-148-9546	WARNING DEVICE KIT (in BII storage box) (19207) 11669000		ea	1
20	5120-00-240-5328	WRENCH, ADJUSTABLE: 8 in (in BII storage box) (19207) 11655778-3		ea	1
21	TBD	WRENCH, SOCKET (in BII storage box) (03683) 19951		ea	1
22	TBD	WRENCH, SOCKET (in BII storage box) (TBD) 75.15/16		ea	1

# ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION LIST (AAL)

0019 00

## **SCOPE**

This work package lists additional items you are authorized for the support of the M915A3 Tractor Truck.

#### **GENERAL**

This list identifies items that do not have to accompany the M915A3 Tractor Truck and that do not have to be turned in with it. These items are authorized to you by CTA, MTOE TDA, or ITA

## **EXPLANATION OF COLUMNS IN THE AAL**

- 1. <u>Column (1) National Stock Number (NSN)</u>. Identifies the stock number of the item to be used for requisitioning purposes.
- 2. Column (2) Description, Commercial and Government Entity Code (CAGEC), and Part Number (P/N). Identifies the Federal item name (in all capital letters) followed by a minimum description when needed. The last line below the description is the CAGEC (in parentheses) and the part number.
- 3. <u>Column (3) Usable On Code.</u> When applicable, gives you a code if the item you need is not the same for different models of equipment.
- 4. <u>Column (4) Unit of Measure (U/M)</u>. Indicates the physical measurement or count of the item as issued per the National Stock Number shown in Column (1).
- 5. <u>Column (5) Qty Recm</u>. Indicates the quantity recommended.

**Table 1. Additional Authorization List.** 

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
National Stock Number	Description, CAGEC, and Part Number	Usable on Code	U/M	Qty Recm
6130-01-449-7594	ANALYZER, CHARGER: Battery (0G1L1) S55A		ea	1
5110-00-293-2336	AXE, SINGLE BIT: 4-16-HD Wt, 35.5-36.5 in. Long (19207) 6150925		ea	1
5510-00-491-0306	BLOCK, WOOD: 4X8X9 in. (19207) CPR103023-1		ea	1
5510-00-491-0307	BLOCK, WOOD: 7X8X9 in. (19207) CPR103023-2		ea	1
5340-01-345-4676	BRACKET, MOUNTING: Decontamination Kit (64678) 681 899 02 K0		ea	1
2540-01-453-0497	CHAINS, TIRE (80535) 2245		pr	2
5340-00-545-2337	CLEVIS, ROD END Part of Tow Bar 2540-00-378-2012 (19207) 8724449		ea	2
4230-01-133-4124	DECONTAMINATION APP. (81361) E5-51-527		ea	1
5120-00-288-6574	HANDLE, MATTOCK-PICK: 35.5-36.5 in. Long (19207) 11677021		ea	1
5895-01-361-7606	INSTALLATION KIT, SINCGARS (80063) A3104086		ea	1
TBD	KIT, AIR DEFLECTOR (64678) 681 790 02 K0		ea	1
TBD	KIT, ARCTIC HEATER (62380) 923 015		ea	1
TBD	KIT, FENDER, REAR (TBD) TBD		ea	1
6545-00-922-1200	KIT, FIRST AID (19207) 11677011		ea	1

**Table 1. Additional Authorization List - Continued.** 

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
National Stock Number	Description, CAGEC, and Part Number	Usable on Code	U/M	Qty Recm
1005-01-345-8880	KIT, RIFLE MOUNTING (64678) 681 816 00 K2		ea	1
5120-00-243-2395	MATTOCK: 5 Lb Without Handle (19207) 11677022		ea	1
5340-00-158-3805	PADLOCK (96906) MS35647-10		ea	7
5315-00-539-9174	PIN Part of Tow Bar 2540-00-378-2012 (19207) 10929861		ea	1
5315-00-350-4326	PIN, LOCKING Part of Tow Bar 2540-00-378-2012 (19207) 5213744		ea	1
5120-00-293-3336	SHOVEL, HAND: Rd-Pt, D-Hdl, Short Size 2 (19207) 11655784		ea	1
2540-01-267-2912	TOW BAR: Medium Duty (19207) 12322663		ea	1

#### **EXPENDABLE AND DURABLE ITEMS LIST**

0020 00

## **SCOPE**

This work package lists expendable and durable items that you will need to operate and maintain the M915A3 Tractor Truck. This list is for information only and is not authority to requisition the listed items. These items are authorized to you by CTA 50-970, *Expendable/Durable Items* (*Except Medical, Class V Repair Parts, and Heraldic Items*), or CTA 8-100, *Army Medical Department Expendable/Durable Items*.

## EXPLANATION OF COLUMNS IN THE EXPENDABLE/DURABLE ITEMS LIST

- 1. <u>Column (1) Item Number</u>. This number is assigned to the entry in the list and is referenced in the narrative instructions to identify the item [e.g., detergent (Item 4, WP 0020 00)].
- 2. <u>Column (2) Level.</u> This column identifies the lowest level of maintenance that requires the listed item.

C - Operator/Crew

- 3. <u>Column (3) National Stock Number (NSN)</u>. This is the NSN assigned to the item which you can use to requisition it.
- 4. <u>Column (4) Item Name, Description, Commercial and Government Entity Code</u> (CAGEC), and Part Number (P/N). This provides the other information you need to identify the item.
- 5. <u>Column (5) Unit of Measure (U/M)</u>. This code shows the physical measurement or count of an item, such as gallon, dozen, gross, etc.

 ${\bf Table~1.~Expendable~and~Durable~Items~List.}$ 

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Item		National	Item Name, Description	
Number	Level	Stock Number	CAGEC, Part Number	U/M
1	С		ANTIFREEZE: Permanent, Ethylene Glycol, Inhibited (81349) MILA46153	
		6850-00-181-7929 6850-00-181-7933 6850-00-181-7940	1 Gallon Bottle 5 Gallon Can 55 Gallon Drum	gl gl gl
2	С		ANTIFREEZE: Permanent, Type: Arctic Grade (81349) MIL-A-11755	
		6850-00-174-1806	55 Gallon Drum	gl
3	С		COMPOUND: Cleaning, Windshield (81348), O-C-1901	
		6850-00-926-2275	16 Ounce Can	oz
4	С		DETERGENT: General Purpose, Liquid (81348) 7930-00-282-9699	
		7930-00-282-9699	1 Gallon Can	gl
5	С		FUEL: Diesel, DF-2 Grade (81346) ASTM D 75	
		9140-00-286-5295 9140-00-286-5296 9140-00-286-5297	5 Gallon Can DF-1 Grade 55 Gallon Drum, 16 Gage 55 Gallon Drum, 18 Gage	gl gl gl
6	С		FUEL: Diesel, DF-1 Grade, Winter (81346) ASTM D 75	
		9140-00-286-5286 9140-00-286-5287 9140-00-286-5288 9140-00-286-5289	Bulk 5 Gallon Can 55 Gallon Drum, 16 Gage 55 Gallon Drum, 18 Gage	තු තු තු තු තු

 ${\bf Table~1.~Expendable~and~Durable~Items~List~-~Continued.}$ 

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Item		National	Item Name, Description	
Number	Level	Stock Number	CAGEC, Part Number	U/M
7	С		GREASE: Automotive and Artillery, GAA (81349) MIL-G-10924	
		9150-01-197-7693 9150-01-197-7688 9150-01-197-7690 9150-01-197-7692 9150-01-197-7691	14 Ounce Cartridge 1 1/4 Ounce Tube 2 1/4 Pound Can 35 Pound Pail 120 Pound Drum	oz oz lb lb
8	С		OIL: Lubricating GO 75 (81349) MIL-PRF-2105	
		9150-01-035-5390 9150-01-035-5391	1 Quart Can 5 Gallon Can	qt gl
9	С		OIL: Lubricating, Gear, Multipurpose, GO 80/90 (81349) MIL-PRF-2105	
		9150-01-035-5392 9150-01-035-5395 9150-01-035-5394	1 Quart Can 5 Gallon Can 55 Gallon Drum, 16 Gage	qt gl gl
10	С		OIL, Lubricating GO 85/140 (81349) MIL-PRF-2105	
		9150-01-048-4591 9150-01-035-5395 9150-01-035-5396	1 Quart Can 5 Gallon Can 55 Gallon Drum	qt gl gl

 $\label{lem:continued} \textbf{Table 1. Expendable and Durable Item List - Continued.}$ 

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Item		National	Item Name, Description	
Number	Level	Stock Number	CAGEC, Part Number	U/M
11	С		OIL: Lubricating, Internal Combustion Engine, Arctic, OEA (81349) MIL-L-46167	
		9150-00-402-4478 9150-00-402-2372 9150-00-491-7197	1 Quart Can 5 Gallon Drum 55 Gallon Drum	qt gl gl
12	С		OIL, Lubricating, Internal Combustion Engine, OE/HDO 10 (81349) MIL-L-2104	
		9150-00-189-6727 9150-00-186-6668 9150-00-191-2772	1 Quart Can 5 Gallon Can 55 Gallon Drum	qt gl gl
13	С		OIL:, Lubricating, Engine, OE/HDO 15W/40 (81349) MIL-L-2104	
		9150-01-152-4117 9150-01-152-4118 9150-01-152-4119	1 Quart Can 5 Gallon Can 55 Gallon Drum	qt gl gl
14	С		OIL: Lubricating, Internal Combustion Engine, OE/HDO 30 (81349) MIL-L-2104	
		9150-00-186-6681 9150-00-188-9858 9150-00-189-6729	1 Quart Can 5 Gallon Can 55 Gallon Drum	qt gl gl

Table 1. Expendable and Durable Items List - Continued.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Item		National	Item Name, Description	
Number	Level	Stock Number	CAGEC, Part Number	U/M
15	С		OIL: Lubricating, Internal Combustion Engine, OE/HDO 40 (81349) MIL-L-2104	
		9150-00-189-6730 9150-00-188-9860 9150-00-188-9862	1 Quart Can 5 Gallon Can 55 Gallon Drum	qt gl gl
16	С		RAG: Wiping (64067) 7920-00-205-1711	
		7920-00-205-1711	50 Pound Bale	lb
17	С		TAPE: Reflective, 2 Inches Wide (81346) ASTM D4956	
		9390-00-174-2322	1800 Inch Roll	in

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#### THE METRIC SYSTEM AND EQUIVALENTS

## Linear Measure

- 1 Centimeter = 10 Millimeters = 0.01 Meters = 0.3937 Inches 1 Meter = 100 Centimeters = 1000 Millimeters = 39.37
- Inches 1 Kilometer = 1000 Meters = 0.621 Miles

## Weights

- 1 Gram = 0.001 Kilograms = 1000 Milligrams = 0.035 Ounces 1 Kilogram = 1000 Grams = 2.2 Pounds
- 1 Metric Ton = 1000 Kilograms = 1 Megagram = 1.1 Short

## Liquid Measure

1 Milliliter = 0.001 Liters = 0.0338 Fluid Ounces 1 Liter = 1000 Milliliters = 33.82 Fluid Ounces

#### Square Measure

1 Sq Centimeter = 100 Sq Millimeters = 0.155 Sq Inches 1 Sq Meter = 10,000 Sq Centimeters = 10.76 Sq Feet 1 Sq Kilometer = 1,000,000 Sq Meters = 0.0386 Sq Miles

#### **Cubic Measure**

1 Cu Centimeter = 1,000 Cu Millimeters = 0.06 Cu Inches 1 Cu Meter = 1,000,000 Cu Centimeters = 35.31 Cu Feet

## Temperature

5/9 (°F - 32) = °C 212° Fahrenheit is equivalent to 100° Celsius 90° Fahrenheit is equivalent to 32.2° Celsius 32° Fahrenheit is equivalent to 0° Celsius 9/5 C° +32 = F°

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To Change	То	Multiply By
Inches	Centimeters	2.540
Feet	Meters	0.305
Yards	Meters	0.914
Miles	Kilometers	1.609
Sq Inches	Sq Centimeters	6.451
Sq Feet	Sq Meters	0.093
Sq Yards	Sq Meters	0.836
Sq Miles	Sq Kilometers	2.590
Acres	Sq Hectometers	0.405
Cubic Feet	Cubic Meters	0.028
Cubic Yards	Cubic Meters	0.765
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Quarts	Liters	0.946
Gallons	Liters	3.785
Ounces	Grams	28.349
Pounds	Kilograms	0.454
Short Tons	Metric Tons	0.907
Pound-Feet	Newton-Meters	1.356
Pounds per Sq Inch	Kilopascals	6.895
Miles per Gallon	Kilometers per Liter	0.425
Miles per Hour	Kilometers per Hour	1.609

To Change	То	Multiply By
Centimeters	Inches	0.394
Meters	Feet	3.280
Meters	Yards	1.094
Kilometers	Miles	0.621
Sq Centimeters	Sq Inches	0.155
Sq Meters	Sq Feet	10.764
Sq Meters	Sq Yards	1.196
Sq Kilometers	Sq Miles	0.386
Sq Hectometers	Acres	2.471
Cubic Meters	Cubic Feet	35.315
Cubic Meters	Cubic Yards	1.308
Milliliters	Fluid Ounces	0.034
Liters	Pints	2.113
Liters	Quarts	1.057
Liters	Gallons	0.264
Grams	Ounces	0.035
Kilograms	Pounds	2.205
Metric Tons	Short Tons	1.102
Newton-Meters	Pound-Feet	0.738
Kilopascals	Pounds per Sq Inch	0.145
Kilometers per Liter	Miles per Gallon	2.354
Kilometers per Hour	Miles per Hour	0.621

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