



Stow That Fuel Can!

Dear Half-Mast,

Is it OK to transport full 5-gal fuel cans of JP-8 in HMMWVs if the cans are not stowed in the brackets?

SFC B.J.R

Dear Sergeant B.J.R.,

No. It's not OK. In fact, it's downright unsafe. Fuel cans **must not** be carried "loose" inside a vehicle. They could tip over, spill JP-8 and create a fire hazard. It doesn't matter whether they're full or half full. Loose fuel cans pose a risk.

For proper stowage of fuel cans and other equipment, see Appendix F, On-Vehicle Equipment Loading Plans, in your vehicle's -10 TM. This is a standard load plan, and every vehicle has one. Your HMMWV's load plan calls for stowing each fuel can where it belongs: in the fuel can stowage bracket. Use the footman loops and strap to secure the can. If equipment's not shown in the load plan or in Appendix B, Stowage and Sign Guide, load it according to local command policy.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON LOAD PLANS AND FUEL CANS, CONTACT BUCKY MCCUISTON AT TACOM LCMC: (586) 282-4760 OR EMAIL...
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