

BLOWN APART BY WAX!



PREVENT INJURY AND EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.

1. Before performing any conversion procedures or troubleshooting procedures, ensure weapon is clear/unloaded.

2. Take appropriate steps to ensure the same service bolt is put back in the weapon from which it was removed.

Soldiers had fired wax training rounds with the Close Combat Mission Capability Kit (CCMCK) installed on the M-4 the week prior. These two weapons were never cleared or cleaned to ensure any barrel obstructions were removed prior to firing service rounds.

One M4 Carbine had a catastrophic failure while firing serviceable rounds at a known distance range. A second M4 at the same range misfired and when rodded, 21 CCMCK rounds were retrieved from the barrel.

When using the CCMCK on any rifle, TM 9-6920-3700-10 states: Failure to inspect and clean the chamber and bore before firing service ammunition can result in personnel injury or catastrophic damage to the weapon if a CCMCK marking projectile remains lodged in the bore.

Mishap resulted due to disregard for regulations at multiple levels.

After CCMCK use, Leaders, Armorers, Range Safety personnel and Soldiers refer to the proper clearing and cleaning procedures as outlined in Chapter 2, Section IV, of TM 9-6920-3700-10.

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