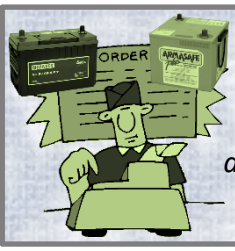
HAWKER® Headlines

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Quick Tips!



Need to order new batteries? *For military units, the best method is through authorized* ***Department of War requisitioning systems****, such as* ***GCSS-Army, GCSS-MC, Air Force ILS-S, Navy ERP, or R-Supply****. Doing so helps ensure the correct battery is procured through approved funding and supply channels. It also provides order visibility, accountability, shipping traceability, accurate demand data, and it avoids delays or incorrect commercial purchases.*

Answer to question from last issue:

I've seen batteries rated for Reserve Capacity…what exactly is that?

Reserve Capacity (RC) is a standard battery-industry rating that indicates how long a fully charged battery can support a vehicle's electrical loads when **it's not being recharged.**



Specifically, RC is the **number of minutes a nominal 12-volt battery can deliver a constant 25-amp load at 80°F (27°C) before its terminal voltage falls to 10.5 volts**—equivalent to 1.75 volts per cell across six cells (*i.e., 1.75V x 6 = 10.5V*).

For example, the ***Hawker® ARMASAFE™ Plus 6TAGM battery has an RC rating of 240 minutes***, while the same-size flooded-cell 6TMF battery is rated at 200 minutes. So, the extra 40 minutes of reserve capacity is greater electrical endurance…that's additional power you can use when the situation demands it!

In **tactical vehicles**, **reserve capacity represents** the battery bank's electrical endurance margin: how long it can sustain **mission-essential loads** when the engine, alternator, generator, or charging path is unavailable. It's **particularly important during silent watch**, fault recovery, repeated start attempts, and periods of high accessory demand at idle or **when the engine is off.**

Did you know:



that not all military ground vehicles use NATO 6T-sized batteries. **For applications requiring a different battery form factor** – including the Bradley IFV (hull and turret), JLTV Arctic Kit, S-MET, GenSets, EHP Mine Roller, Halvorsen K-Loader, GMV, RG-31, as well as Non-Standard Commercial Vehicles (NSCVs) used by U.S. SOCOM and the U.S. Department of State – **Hawker® MIL PC AGM batteries** deliver rugged, reliable power. *No matter the size, Hawker® has your six!*

Training:



This summer, **Hawker® FSRs** were Oscar Mike…visiting Forts Bliss, Hood, Carson, Wainwright, Greely, Richardson, Drum, Campbell, Riley, & Lewis, as well as GA, IN, KY, TN & WY ARNGs. **Our mission**…letting soldiers know about our online and onsite no-cost support services and providing ***free Battery Maintenance and Recovery Training (BMRT)*** Want to get your unit scheduled? **Just contact us!**

Next Issue:
The Hawker® 6TAGM battery is rated at 120Ah (C20). What does that mean?

Questions?

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