

# Keep Moisture Out

Dear Windy,

Our unit spent many man hours in the winter draining and ground running our OH-58s, because water had seeped through the vent cap and into the tailrotor gear box.

We found that a dab of sealant over the lock ring on top of the cap helps keep water out and does not affect the cap's ability to vent.

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MR. LUNDY HAS  
A GOOD, QUICK FIX.  
1LT STEVEN P. TOOSS RECOMMENDS  
COVERING THE CAP WITH A VEHICLE  
OIL SAMPLE BOTTLE. HERE'S HOW..

1. Cut off the bottle's threaded neck.
2. Pack the bottle with cotton.
3. Wrap tape around the edge of the bottle until the bottle will fit snugly around the cap.
4. Stick the bottle over the cap and tape it tight.
5. Attach a "Remove Before Flight" streamer, NSN 8345-00-995-7806, by running a wire through the bottle and the streamer.
6. Note removal of the cap as a part of preflight.

Cotton

Sampling  
bottle

REMOVE BEFORE FLIGHT