



OH-58A COCKPIT CONSOLE...

SKIN SAVER

ROUT OUT
SHROUD IN
3 PLACES

Dear Editor,

Knucklebusting had a painful meaning for our mechanics when removing or replacing the shroud cover on the Kiowa's cockpit console. Like — when taking out the 3 front screws on top of the cover.

We solved the problem with a pair of metal snips in 5 minutes . . . by routing out the cover around each screw.

Now all we have to do is back out the screws just enough to free the shroud. Saves us 30 minutes on each job, plus some skin.

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(Ed Note—A real cozy fix, Sarge. You might even substitute AN3 hex-head bolts for the screws . . . and you won't lose support or strength. Use a 3/8-in open-end wrench for the tug-o-war bit.)