

OH-58 Main Rotor . . .

Thread Your Way Past Trunnion Damage

Dear Editor,

TM 55-1520-228-23-1 says to lockwire the T-handle work aid to the pitch horn trunnions when removing the main rotor assembly. But sometimes a trunnion gets damaged because it moves too much in spite of the lockwire. And the trunnion's cost \$156 a shot.

I avoid that problem by threading about one half inch of the T-handle. Then I secure the T-handle inside the hub with nut, NSN 5310-00-167-1332, and washer, NSN 5310-00-167-0835. This keeps the handle in place better than the wire and we get no more busted trunnions.

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(Editor's note: Good idea.)

