

| Tasks: 1. Clear an M249 Machine Gun (In Sequence). 2. Load an M249 Machine Gun (In Sequence). 3. Correct a malfunction on an M249 Machine Gun (In Sequence). 4. Unload and clear an M249 Machine Gun (In Sequence). | | |
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| Performance Measures: | Pass | Fail |
| 1. Clear an M249 Machine Gun (In Sequence). | | |
| 1. Lock the bolt to the rear by pulling the cocking handle to the rear using your right hand, palm up. | | |
| 2. Return the cocking handle forward to its locked position using your right hand, palm up. | | |
| 3. Place the M249 Machine Gun on SAFE. | | |
| 4. Performs 5 Point Safety Check. | | |
| 1. Remove magazine, if present, by pushing down on the magazine release tab and pulling the magazine out. | | |
| 2. Raise the feed tray cover assembly by pushing in the latches and tilting upwards. | | |
| (1)Check the feed pawl assembly under the feed cover. (2)Check the feed tray assembly. | | |
| 3. Raise the feed tray assembly by tilting upwards. | | |
| (3)Check the chamber. | | |
| • (4)Check the space between the face of the bolt and the chamber. | | |
| (5)Insert two fingers in the magazine well and feel for | | |
| brass or ammunition. | | |
| 5. Lower the feed tray. | | |
| 2. Load the M249 Machine Gun (In Sequence). | | |
| 1. Cant the M249 Machine Gun to the right. | | |
| 2. Place the first round of the belt, with the open side of the links | | |
| facing downward, in the feed tray groove against the cartridge | | |
| stop. | | |
| 3. Hold the ammunition belt in place on the feed tray with your left | | |
| hand and then close the feed tray cover assembly with your right | | |
| hand. | | |
| 4. Place the M249 Machine on FIRE. | | |
| 5. Squeeze the trigger. | ──┤ | |
| 3. Take immediate action to correct a failure to fire (In Sequence). | | |
| NOTE: Immediate action is performed to reduce a stoppage without | | |
| seeking the cause. The M249 remains on your shoulder while performing immediate action procedures. The key word POPS will help | | |
| remember the steps for immediate action. | | |
| 1. Pull the cocking handle (right hand / palm up) to the rear. | | |
| 2. Observe the ejection port to see if a cartage case, belt link, or | | |
| round ejects. | | |
| 3. Push the cocking handle forward. | | |
| 4. Squeeze the trigger and fire all remaining rounds. | | |
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| Performance Measures: | Pass | Fail |
| 4. Unload and clear an M249 Machine Gun (In Sequence). | | |
| 1. Lock the bolt to the rear by pulling the cocking handle to the rear | | |
| using your right hand, palm up. | | |
| Return the cocking handle forward to its locked position using your right hand, palm up. | | |
| 3. Place the M249 Machine Gun on SAFE. | | |
| 4. Performs 5 Point Safety Check. | | |
| 1. Remove magazine, if present, by pushing down on the | | |
| magazine release tab and pulling the magazine out. | | |
| Raise the feed tray cover assembly by pushing in the latches and tilting upwards. | | |
| 1. Check the feed pawl assembly under the feed cover. | | |
| 2. Check the feed tray assembly. | | |
| Raise the feed tray assembly by tilting upwards. | | |
| 5. Check the chamber. | | |
| 6. Check the space between the face of the bolt and the chamber. Insert | | |
| two fingers in the magazine well and feel for brass or ammunition. | | |
| 7. Lower the feed tray assembly. | | |
| 8. Close the feed tray cover assembly by lowering it until it locks closed. | | |
| 9. Move the safety to the FIRE position. | | |
| 10. Pull the cocking handle to the rear, squeeze the trigger, and manually | | |
| ride the bolt forward, and ensure the cocking handle clicks into the locked position using your right, palm up. | | |
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| 5. Performed performance measures 1 through 4 from the prone firing position. | | |
| Performed performance measures 1 through 4 within 30 seconds (In Sequence). | | |