Cleaning the L98A1 Cadet GP Rifle

Cleaning Procedure

1. Using the nylon brush remove any loose fouling or debris from the weapon and its components.
2. With a piece of lightly oiled flannelette clean the outside of the weapon.
3. Using the nylon brush and flannelette, clean the inside of the body.
4. Clean the barrel first with the bore brush, then pull it through with dry, clean flannelette.
5. Examine the barrel for cleanliness. To do this hold it up towards the light about 150 mm (six inches) away from the head, muzzle to the eye; keep both eyes open and follow the lands and grooves throughout their length.
6. If necessary clean the barrel again. If, after a thorough cleaning, the barrel does not appear to be clean, or there is something unusual apparent, show it to an officer/adult instructor.
7. Clean the working parts of the weapon, removing any carbon fouling.
8. Lightly oil the weapon and magazine (less the iron sight apertures and post but including the knurled nut).

Cleaning in Adverse Conditions

Heavy Rain and Damp Conditions.
Inspect frequently for rust and remove it as normal.

Dry, Sandy or Dusty Conditions.
In such conditions the rifle must be kept dry; this will best be achieved by sweating it in the sun and wiping off any exuding oil. If rust appears remove it as normal but take care to remove any oil that may have been used. Occasionally empty the magazines and tip out any grit. Do the same to the TMH, first removing it from the rifle, but only when ordered to do so.