

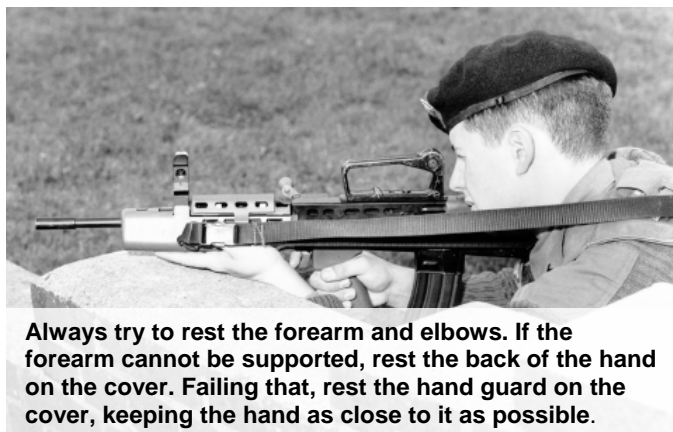
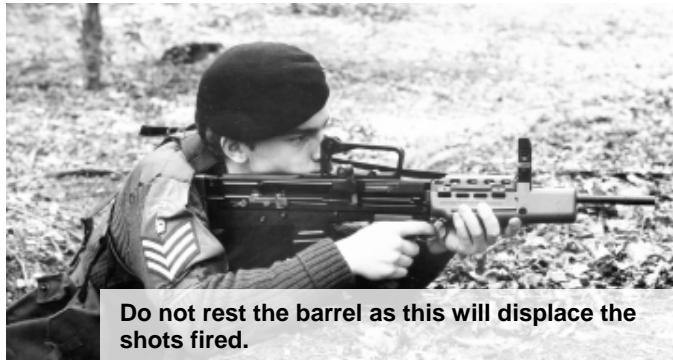
Use of Cover

Fire Positions

The ideal fire position offers:

- Free use of personal weapons and grenades.
- Protection against HE and small arms fire.
- Cover from view and a concealed route in and out.
- An unobstructed view of a wide and deep arc of fire.

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No matter how cover is used, the four marksmanship principles are to be applied.

Muzzle and Ejection Clearance

The sight line on the rifle is high in relation to the axis of the bore. It is possible to achieve a clear line of sight to the target and at the same time have the barrel obstructed by cover. Obstruction may be less apparent a few metres in front of the position than directly in front of the muzzle.

Solid cover, close to the weapon, obstructs clear ejection; the cases may bounce up into the face of the firer or back into the weapon causing injury or a stoppage.