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I would like to point out that the military no longer refers to Mil-Spec cables by the “RG” number. Military cables are now referenced by their specification, MIL-C-17. As far as I can ascertain, this has been the case since 1990. For example, what was once the specification RG-58/U is now MIL-C-17/155-00001. As you can see, there is no longer any association between the military specification and its old RG number. When ordering or referencing the new specification, the callout for the part number would be M17/155-00001.

I can only speculate as to why the military changed its system, but reliable sources within military procurement stated that the proliferation of RG “Type” cables, some of which loosely followed the dimensional and electrical parameters of the mil-spec cables, were causing problems. Therefore, they made the switch to ensure that the sources of the cables were truly qualified.

Attached is a list that correlates some of the more popular RG numbers with their new MIL-C-17 number. This list is not inclusive, so if a specific cable is not listed, you can still contact us for assistance.

If you need any further amplification, or your customer asks a question that is not addressed, contact Bill Berger in Technical Support at (818) 865-6534, or e-mail at bill.berger@trompeter.com. We look forward to your questions.

Attachment 1

<u>RG Number</u> ¹	<u>Mil-C-17 Number</u>
RG-6/U	M17/2-RG6
RG-8/U	M17/163-00001
RG-11/U	M17/6-RG11
RG-58/U	M17/155-00001
RG-59/U	M17/29-59
RG-174/U	M17/173-00001
RG-178/U	M17/169-00001
RG-179/U	M17/094-RG179
RG-316/U	M17/172-00001
RG-393/U	M17/127-RG393

¹ Revision number not included.