


How can I be sure I'm ordering NIJ-compliant products?

The model designation is required to be listed on the ballistic panel label. Before purchasing, ask the seller to provide the model designation. Note that a retailer may use a model marketing name for a particular product or product line. Make sure you get the model designation and find it on the NIJ Compliant Products List (NIJ CPL).

(Listed Company's) Name
(Listed Company's) Address

Model: _____



NIJ Standard-0101.06

Threat Level (NIJ 0101.06): _____

Size: _____

Serial Number: _____

Lot Number: _____

Location of Manufacturer: _____

Date of Manufacture: _____

Date of Issue: _____

Manufacturer's _____

Ballistic Performance Warranty Period: _____

For Warranty Information Contact: _____

WARNING!
This garment is rated ONLY for the ballistic threat level stated above. It is NOT intended to protect against rifle fire or sharp-edged or pointed instruments.

****Wear Face****
This side to be worn against body.

Care Instructions for Ballistic Panel:
(Complete Instructions Provided)

1. Do not wash or dry clean.
2. Spot with a damp cloth.

Purchasing body armor is an important task that can be made simpler if you ask the right questions and:

- Look for the NIJ Certification Mark (NIJ Mark).
- Look up the model designation on the NIJ CPL on CJTEC.org.

For more information on body armor selection and fit, please visit the Selection and Fit page on PoliceArmor.org at <https://www.policearmor.org/basics/selection-fit.html>.

Check the label.

Check the NIJ CPL.

For More Information
Contact:

National Institute of Justice
Compliance Testing Program (NIJ CTP)
(919) 485-2717
askctp@nijctp.org

For information on all issues related to body armor, visit PoliceArmor.org



*How to Ensure Your Body
Armor is NIJ-Compliant—Look
for the NIJ Certification Mark*

Check it.

Now double check it.



NIJ | National Institute
of Justice
STRENGTHEN SCIENCE. ADVANCE JUSTICE.

Check It Out. Then Check It Again.

When purchasing body armor, ask a couple of questions up front to ensure that you are buying NIJ-compliant products.

- First, take a look at the label of the model of armor you are considering. Does it have the NIJ Certification Mark? Check one. ✓
- Then, go look up the model designation listed on the ballistic panel label on the NIJ CPL (found on [CJTEC.org](http://www.cjtec.org/compliance-testing-program/compliant-product-lists/) at <http://www.cjtec.org/compliance-testing-program/compliant-product-lists/>). Is the model listed there? Check two. ✓

You are now ready to make a purchasing decision.

For more information about the NIJ CTP, please visit <https://cjtec.org/compliance-testing-program/> or contact the CTP by email at askctp@nijctp.org.



Ask questions. Do your research.
Buy a NIJ-compliant product.
Your Life Depends on It!



Why Purchase NIJ-Compliant Products?

When officers and agencies purchase NIJ-Compliant body armor, they can be confident that it has been independently tested through the NIJ CTP and found to comply with minimum performance standards established by the NIJ. Here's how the NIJ CTP works:

- Manufacturers voluntarily submit models to be tested to ensure they meet the current standard, Ballistic Resistance of Body Armor (NIJ Standard 0101.06). The NIJ CPL of models tested through the NIJ CTP and found to comply with the standard can be found on [CJTEC.org](http://www.cjtec.org/compliance-testing-program/ballistic-resistant-body-armor/) at <http://www.cjtec.org/compliance-testing-program/ballistic-resistant-body-armor/>.
- Models that meet the requirements of the standard and the NIJ CTP must bear the NIJ Certification Mark. Only NIJ can authorize manufacturers to use the NIJ Certification Mark. **NIJ intends to protect it and can take action against unauthorized use.**
- Manufacturers who affix the NIJ Mark to a body armor model attest that the armor represents the same design and construction evaluated by the NIJ CTP.

- The NIJ CTP conducts a Follow-up Inspection and Testing (FIT) program to provide additional confidence that new production armor continues to perform as it did when the model was initially tested and NIJ listed. For more information on the FIT program, please visit <https://cjtec.org/compliance-testing-program/follow-up-inspection-and-testing/>.
- Only models tested through the NIJ CTP and listed on the NIJ CPL are eligible for funding through BJA's Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Grant Act Program. For more information on the BVP, please visit <https://www.ojp.gov/program/bulletproof-vest-partnership/overview>.

Is old body armor still on the market?

Armor produced after March 2017 will have the NIJ Certification Mark on the label. Armors that comply with the 0101.06 standard and that were produced prior to March 2017 may have either the NIJ Certification Mark or the NIJ Statement of Compliance on the label. Check to be sure that the armor you are considering purchasing appears on the NIJ CPL. Older models that were tested to a previous standard may also still be available. These armors are NOT listed on the NIJ CPL.

