Body Armor Compliance Testing Program (CTP)

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Topic: Guidelines for Completion of Armor Conditioning by NIJ Standard-0101.06 Section 5

The purpose of this administrative clarification is to provide guidance to laboratories performing conditioning of ballisticresistant body armor according to NIJ Standard-0101.06, Section 5. In an effort to improve the consistency of results obtained from different laboratories performing the conditioning, this document provides information on best practices for loading armor into the tumbler, monitoring armor during conditioning, flattening armor after conditioning completion and preparation of armor for shipment. The document titled "Guidelines for Completion of Armor Conditioning by NIJ Standard-0101.06, Section 5" can be located on the JUSTNET website located at www.justnet.org/ Pages/manufacturers.aspx Laboratories involved in the NIJ Compliance Testing Program should review this document to ensure their methods are consistent with the guidelines described therein.

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