

## **INVITATION TO BID**

The Marysville Fire District is soliciting bids for the purchase of one or more new sets of personal protective equipment (PPE). The Bid shall include pricing for all items to be purchased, at the Fire Districts discretion, and as described in the specifications. All Bids must be received by the District Secretary, at the Administration Building, 1635 Grove Street, Marysville, WA, 98270, no later than 3:00 PM, December 7, 2025. The bid opening shall take place at 3:15 PM, December 7, 2025, at the same location. The successful bidder will be notified within 30 days of the bid opening.

Marysville Fire District Administration Building 1635 Grove Street Marysville WA, 98270

Phone (360) 363-8500



## **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

The Marysville Fire District intends to acquire one or more sets of new personal protective equipment through a sealed bid process. Any questions in regards to this project may be directed to Tom Maloney, Assistant Chief, at (360) 363-8506.

All bids shall be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope with the words, "Sealed Bid PPE", once across the front and once across the back. All Bids must be received by the District Secretary, at the Administration Building, no later than 3:00 PM, December 7, 2025.

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The bid opening shall take place at 3:15 PM, December 7, 2025. The successful bidder will be notified within 30 days of the bid opening.

The Marysville Fire District (District) reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and reserves the right to waive any irregularities in the bids or bidding procedure.

The successful bidder must be a factory authorized distributor to sell the equipment specified and proposed.

Contract/purchase documents shall be included with all bids and shall conspicuously include;

- · reference to this document as part of the contract, and
- any and all exclusions or exceptions to the specifications, and
- total price of the contract with and without sales tax, and
- total price for each option, and
- price of any alternate or optional proposals.

Documentation shall be submitted, with the bid, describing in detail the qualifications of the bidder and manufacturer to manufacture and maintain Personal Protective Equipment. In addition, the bid shall include a list of agencies (with contact name and phone number) for all systems sold/installed in Snohomish County by the bidder within the last 2 years.

Documentation shall be submitted, with the bid, describing in detail the proposed items, including but not limited to: diagrams, drawings, and/or pictures of each component, ratings, sizes, options, etc.

Political subdivisions of the State of Washington are allowed to purchase from Marysville Fire District bids in accordance with RCW 39.30.040 Interlocal Cooperative Act, for a period of not less than 120 days from the time of bid award. Bidder agrees to sell at the same price, terms, and conditions. Currently, Marysville Fire District and other Snohomish County Fire Districts have agreed to utilize this bidding process for purchasing either jointly or as separate entities.



The Purchaser reserves the right to exercise the Purchase of additional items or sets from the final contract for a period of up to three (3) years if in the best interest of the Purchaser. Additional purchases will be based upon negotiated price adjustments following the Consumer Price Index, and annual adjusted rate of inflation for emergency equipment.

#### **Definitions**

Bidder A Factory Authorized Distributor of the proposed items.

Successful Bidder The Bidder who has been selected by the Fire District to supply components as

described in this document.

Vendor The Successful Bidder upon contract signing, for the purpose of fulfilling the

requirements of this document

Fire District The Marysville Fire District.

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Equivalent components, design, construction techniques, material, etc., deemed by the

Marysville Fire District to be acceptable in substitution for said items prescribed

in the bidding specifications, as equal or better than those specified.

## Shipment & Delivery:

The items shall be suitably prepared for motor freight transport.

Shipment shall be delivered to:

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Freight charges shall be included in the bid. A vendor representative shall be available for postdelivery inspection of the equipment to assure that the equipment meets specifications of the bid.

Vendor agrees that all components ordered for the installation of this system shall be delivered within eight weeks of bid award notification to the vendor.

#### Acceptance and Payment:

The Fire District shall accept the items once the Fire District is satisfied that all portions of the agreement between the vendor and the Fire District have been completed to the satisfaction of the Fire District. This shall include, but is not limited to, satisfactory training and orientation of Fire District personnel and adequate display of proper configuration. Once the Fire District accepts the items, full payment shall be made within normal payment processing constraints, generally no longer than 45 days.



#### Authorized Service Center:

The Bidder shall provide with this bid, the name, address and phone number of the nearest factory authorized service center. The service center must be factory authorized to perform warranty work, preventative maintenance, and on-going service.

Sales offices without access to factory trained service personnel shall not be accepted. A letter written on the manufacturers' letterhead shall accompany the bid to attest to; the factory authorization of the service center, and; a listing of trained technicians employed by the service center.

Replacement repair parts shall be available from the manufacturer within 7 days of order receipt, to Marysville Fire District.

The bid shall include information on the requirements of the manufacturer to authorize a repair facility as a "factory authorized service center" in the event the Marysville Fire District wishes to pursue such authorization, for the repair of its own equipment and potentially the equipment of other agencies participating, via an interlocal agreement, with the Marysville Fire District.

#### Indemnification:

The Bidder agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Marysville Fire District harmless from and against all claims, demands, actions, liabilities, losses, damages, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising from, or relating to, the execution of this agreement, except as may be caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the MFD, its agents or employees.

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# GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS PROTECTIVE JACKET AND PANT FOR STRUCTURAL FIRE FIGHTING

#### **SCOPE**

This specification details design and materials criteria to afford protection to the upper and lower body, excluding head, hands, feet, against adverse environmental effects during structural firefighting. All materials and construction will meet or exceed NFPA Standard #1971 and OSHA for structural fire fighters protective clothing.

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#### **SIZING**

In order to ensure that every member of the department can safely perform to the maximum of their ability without extra bulk and without restriction, Jackets shall be available in all sizes and dimensions as follows:

## Jacket:

Gender:	Gender specific Men's and Women's patterns will be available.
Chest:	Even Sizes
Back Length:	All fits shall be available in 1-inch length increments from 26 inches to 40 inches.
Body Shape:	Men's: Straight and Tapered Fits
	Note: The straight cut offers more fullness at the hips (i.e. jacket sweep) and is recommended when an IH Ready pant is being specified.
	Women's: Straight Fit
Sleeve:	1 inch increments
	Jackets available in only one standard shape will not be acceptable.

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## **OUTER SHELL MATERIAL - JACKET**

The outer shell shall be constructed of TENCATE "AGILITY™: featuring ENFORCE™ technology Kevlar\*/PBO/ Nomex\* blend material with an approximate weight of 6.6 oz. per square yard in a twill weave. The shell material must be treated with a durable water-repellent finish that offers resistance to liquid absorption. Color of the garments shall be dark gold.

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## THERMAL INSULATING LINER - JACKET

The thermal liner shall be constructed of TENCATE "TITANIUM™ SL2i"; with an approximate weight of 7.7 oz. per square yard. This thermal liner consists of one layer of 1.5 oz. and one layer of 2.3 oz. per square yard Nomex® E-89™ spunlaced Nomex®/Kevlar® aramid blend, quilt stitched to a Nomex® filament and FR rayon/para-aramid/nylon inherently wicking Titanium® face cloth. A pocket, constructed of thermal liner over-edged to a layer of moisture barrier material, shall be affixed to the inside of the jacket



thermal liner on the left side by means of a single needle stitch. The thermal liner shall be sewn to the moisture barrier and shall be independently bound around its perimeter. This provides superior abrasion resistance to the less expensive, less durable, "stitch and turn" method. An approximate 8 inch by 10½ inch pocket, constructed of thermal liner over-edged to a layer of moisture barrier material, shall be affixed to the inside of the jacket thermal liner on the left side by means of a single needle stitch. Further mention of "Thermal Liner" in this specification shall refer to this section.

## **MOISTURE BARRIER - JACKET**

The moisture barrier material shall be W.L. GORE **CROSSTECH**° **Black moisture barrier** - Type 2F, which is comprised of a CROSSTECH° membrane laminated to a Nomex° IIIA woven pajama check substrate. The CROSSTECH° membrane is an enhanced bicomponent membrane comprised of an expanded PTFE (polytetrafluoroethylene, for example Teflon°) matrix having a continuous hydrophilic (i.e. water-loving) and oleophobic (i.e. oil-hating) coating that is impregnated into the matrix. CROSSTECH° moisture barrier seams shall be sealed with GORE-SEAM° tape using a Series 6000 (or higher) GORE-SEAM™ sealing machine to afford comparable bacteriophage penetration resistance performance. Further mention of "Specified Moisture Barrier" in this specification shall refer to this section.

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## **SEALED MOISTURE BARRIER SEAMS**

All moisture barrier seams shall be sealed with a minimum 1-inch wide sealing tape. One side of the tape shall be coated with a heat activated glue adhesive. The adhesive side of the tape shall be oriented toward the moisture barrier seam. The adhesive shall be activated by heat and the sealing tape shall be applied to the moisture barrier seams by means of pressure exerted by rollers for that purpose.

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#### METHOD OF THERMAL LINER/MOISTURE BARRIER ATTACHMENT FOR JACKET

The thermal liner and moisture barrier shall be completely removable from the jacket shell. A minimum of six snap fasteners shall secure the thermal liner/moisture barrier to the outer shell along the length of the neckline under the topmost collar. The topmost collar shall be turned under and finished such that the snaps on the collar will not be able to contact the wearers skin. Corresponding snaps shall be installed through a moisture barrier leader measuring an approximate height of 1.75 – 2 inches and shall not penetrate through to the outer shell on the backside of the collar. The remainder of the thermal liner/moisture barrier shall be secured with snap fasteners appropriately spaced on each jacket facing and Ara-Shield\* snap fasteners at each sleeve end. There shall be one Ara-shield\* snap tabs at the liner sleeve end which shall be colored to correspond with color coded snap tabs on the shell sleeve end for ease of matching the liner system to the outer shell after inspection or cleaning is completed. The bottom hem of the liner system and outer shell shall be attached using three snaps utilizing Ara-Shield\* leaders which shall be sewn to the outer shell.

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#### THERMAL PROTECTIVE PERFORMANCE

The assembled garment, consisting of an outer shell, moisture barrier and thermal liner, shall exhibit a TPP (Thermal Protective Performance) rating of not less than 35.

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#### **STITCHING**

The outer shell shall be assembled using stitch type #301, #401, #514 and #516. The thermal liners and moisture barriers shall be assembled using stitch type #301, #401, #504, #514, and #516. Major A outer shell structural seams and major B structural liner seams, shall have a minimum of 8 to 10 stitches per inch. All major A seams shall be sewn with ball point needles only. All seams shall be continuously stitched only.

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#### **JACKET CONSTRUCTION**

#### **BODY**

The body of the shell shall be constructed of three separate panels consisting of two front panels and one back panel. The body panels shall be shaped so as to provide a tailored fit thereby enhancing body movement and shall be joined together by double stitching with Nomex\* thread. One-piece outer shells shall not be acceptable.

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## **Gusset Back**

The jacket outer shell shall include inverted pleats to afford enhanced mobility and freedom of movement in addition to that provided by the gusseted and contoured sleeves. The outer shell shall have two inverted pleats (one each side) installed on either side of the back body panel. The inverted pleats shall begin at the top of each shoulder and extend vertically down the sides of the jacket to the hem. Maximum expansion of the pleats shall occur at the shoulder area and taper toward the hem. Pleats that do not extend to the hem will not be considered, since they do not provide a true gusset back.

The moisture barrier shall be designed with darts corresponding to the added length in the shell provided by the gusset back pleats. The darts are positioned at the shoulder blades, outside of the SCBA straps and work together with the corresponding outer shell pleats in the back, providing maximum expansion. The moisture barrier darts will be seam sealed to assure liquid resistance integrity.

The liner shall incorporate two mesh channels as part of the thermal liner that align with the gusset back inverted pleats of the outer shell to promote mobility and freedom of movement. The channels shall consist of two layers of double raschel mesh 100% Kevlar material. The mesh channels shall be approximately three inches wide, graded to size.

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#### **LOGOS**

Any branding will need to meet the requirements for use on the PPE.

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## **DRAG RESCUE DEVICE (DRD)**

A Firefighter Drag Rescue Device (DRD) shall be installed in each jacket. The ends of a 1 inch wide strap, constructed of Kevlar°, shall be sewn together to form a continuous loop. The strap shall be installed in the jacket between the liner system and outer shell such that when properly installed will loop around each arm. The strap will be accessed through a portal between the shoulders on the upper back where it is secured in place by an FR strap. The DRD shall be removable for laundering. The access port shall be covered by an outside flap of shell material, designed to fit between the shoulder straps of an SCBA. The flap will have a NFPA-compliant 3M Scotchlite™ reflective logo patch sewn to the outside to clearly identify the feature as the DRD (Drag Rescue Device). The DRD shall not extend beyond the outside flap. This device provides a quickly deployed means of rescuing a downed firefighter. Flimsy, rope-style DRD straps will not be considered.

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## LINER ACCESS OPENING (JACKET)

The liner system of the jacket shall incorporate an opening at the leading edge of the right front panel. This opening shall run a minimum of 11 inches for the purpose of inspecting the integrity of the jacket liner system. When installed into the outer shell the Liner Access Opening shall be covered and protected by the overlap of the outer shell facing.

## RETROREFLECTIVE FLUORESCENT TRIM

The retroreflective fluorescent trim shall be lime/yellow 3M Scotchlite™ Triple Trim (L/Y borders with silver center). Each jacket shall have an adequate amount of retroreflective fluorescent trim affixed to the outside of the outer shell to meet the requirements of NFPA 1971 and OSHA. The trim shall be in the following widths and shall be **NFPA Basic style**; 3 inch wide stripes - around the bottom of the jacket within approximately 1 inch of the hem and around the back and chest area approximately 3 inches below the armpit, around each sleeve below the elbow.

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#### REINFORCED TRIM STITCHING

All sewn on reflective trim is secured to the outer shell with Nomex\* thread, using a locking chainstitch system. This strip of 3/32-inch strong, durable, flame resistant black Kevlar\* cording provides a bed for the stitching along each edge of the retroreflective fluorescent trim surface and affords extra protection for the thread from abrasion. Chainstitch has been proven to be 5 to 7 times more durable than single



or even double rows of stitching, significantly reducing maintenance costs and providing more value and a longer service life. Two rows of stitching used to attach the trim in place shall be considered an unacceptable alternative, since it has been proven that the two rows of stitching has insignificant impact on wear life. All trim ends shall be securely sewn into a seam for a clean finished appearance.

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#### SEWN ON RETROREFLECTIVE LETTERING

Each jacket shall have (Marysville Fire is the example) Names will change based on the organization. 3" lime/yellow 3M Scotchlite™ lettering on Row A reading (up to 12 letters): MARYSVILLE 2" lime/yellow 3M Scotchlite™ lettering on Row B reading (up to 10 letters): FIRE

Firefighters last name in 3" (or 2", if name is too long) lime-yellow Scotchlite on Hanging Letter Patch (see below)

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#### **LETTER PATCH**

## **Hanging Letter Patch**

The hanging letter patch shall be constructed of a double layer of outer shell material. The letter patch will attach to the rear inside hem of the jacket with a combination of snap fasteners and FR hook & loop fastener tape.

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## **COLLAR AND INTEGRATED OVERLAPPING THROAT TAB**

The collar and integrated overlapping throat tab shall consist of a minimum four-layer construction and be of one-piece design. There shall be two layers of moisture barrier material sandwiched in between two layers of outer shell fabric. The multi-layered configuration shall provide protection from water and other hazardous elements, while maintaining thermal protection. The collar shall be a minimum of 3 inches in height and graded to chest size. The left leading edge of the collar shall extend up evenly from the leading edge of the jacket front body panel, while the right side of the collar incorporates the integrated overlapping throat tab so that no gap occurs at the throat area. The collar back layers of outer shell and moisture barrier shall be joined to the body panels with a minimum of two rows of stitching. The collar front layers of outer shell and moisture barrier fabric shall have a series of 6 snap fasteners spaced equidistant to minimize gaps on the lower edge of the collar. The top most collar shall be turned under and finished such that the snaps on the collar shall not be able to contact the wearer's skin. There shall be 6 corresponding snap fasteners on a moisture barrier leader, which is sewn to the thermal liner system to engage the snaps on the collar. This moisture barrier leader on the thermal liner system shall be sandwiched between the underside of the top collar shell fabric and moisture barrier material and the bottom collar shell fabric and moisture barrier material so as to reduce the possibility of liner detachment while donning and doffing.

The integrated overlapping throat tab shall be an extension of the collar and constructed of a minimum of two plies of outer shell material with two center plies of moisture barrier material. There shall be 1 piece of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch by 3 inch FR hook fastener tape sewn horizontally to the integrated overlapping throat



tab to secure the tab to the collar. There shall be a corresponding piece of FR loop fastener tape measuring approximately 1 ½ inch by 3 inches at the opposite end of the collar. The integrated overlapping throat tab shall be shaped and angled upward in such a way that allows it to land naturally on the collar and corresponding loop fastener tape.

A hanger loop constructed of a double layer of outer shell material shall be sewn to the top inside of the collar at the center.

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#### JACKET FRONT

The jacket shall incorporate separate facings to ensure there is no interruption in thermal or moisture protection in the front closure area. The facings shall measure approximately  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches on the right side and approximately 3 inches on the left and shall extend from collar to hem. The facings shall be double stitched to the underside of the outer shell at the leading edges of the front body panels. A breathable moisture barrier material shall be sewn to the jacket facings and configured such that it is sandwiched between the jacket facing and the inside of the respective body panel. The breathable film side shall face inward to protect it. The thermal liner and moisture barrier assembly shall be attached to the jacket facings by means of snap fasteners. There shall be wicking barrier constructed of moisture barrier material installed on the front closure system on the left and right side directly below the front facings to ensure continuous protection and overlap.

#### STORM FLAP AND JACKET FRONT CLOSURE SYSTEM

The jacket shall be closed by means of a size #10 heavy duty high-temp smooth-gliding resin zipper on the jacket fronts and FR fastener tape on the storm flap. The length of the zipper shall be based on the length of the jacket to ensure appropriate coverage. The teeth of the zipper shall be mounted on black Nomex® tape and shall be sewn into the respective jacket fronts. The outermost right front body panel shall close over the left front jacket body panels and shall be secured with FR fastener tape. A 1½-inch piece of FR loop fastener tape shall be installed along the leading edge of the right front panel on the underside with full perimeter stitching. A corresponding 1½-inch piece of FR hook fastener tape shall be sewn with full perimeter stitching and positioned to engage the loop fastener tape when the right front panel is closed over the front over the left front panel of the jacket.

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## **CARGO/HANDWARMER EXPANSION (BELLOWS) POCKETS**

Each jacket front body panel shall have a 2 inch deep by 8 inch wide by 8 inch high expansion pocket, double stitched to it and shall be located such that the bottom of the pockets are at the bottom of the jacket for full functionality when used with an SCBA. Retroreflective trim shall run over the bottom of the pockets so as not to interrupt the trim stripe. Two rust resistant metal drain eyelets shall be installed in the bottom of each expansion pocket to facilitate drainage of water. The expansion pocket shall be reinforced with a layer of Kevlar\* approximately 5 inches up on the inside of the pocket. The pocket flaps



shall be rectangular in shape, constructed of two layers of outer shell material and shall measure approximately 3 inches deeper than the pocket expansion and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch wider than the pocket. The upper pocket corners shall be reinforced with proven backtacks and pocket flaps shall be reinforced with backtacks. The pocket flaps shall be closed by means of FR hook and loop fastener tape. Two pieces of 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch by 3 inch FR hook fastener tape shall be installed vertically on the inside of each pocket flap (one piece on each end). Two corresponding pieces of 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch by 3 inch FR loop fastener tape shall be installed horizontally on the outside of each pocket near the top (one piece on each end) and positioned to engage the hook fastener tape.

Additionally, a separate hand warmer pocket compartment will be provided <u>under</u> the expandable cargo pocket. This compartment will be accessed from the rear of the pocket and shall be fully lined with Nomex\* Fleece for warmth and comfort. Shell material linings shall not be considered acceptable.

(32" or shorter length) Retroreflective trim shall run over the bottom of the pockets so as not to interrupt the trim stripe.

28" or shorter length jackets – standard size pockets are not available, expansion pockets are available in either 2 inch deep by 10 inch wide by 6 inch high or 2 inch deep by 8 inch wide by 6 inch high

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#### **GLOVE STRAP**

A self-material (same color as the shell of the jacket) Glove Strap 1 inch x 3 inches (similar in design to a microphone strap) shall be stitched on the lower right coat body and mounted <u>vertically</u> behind the handwarmer pocket. The strap shall be constructed of a double layer of shell material, hemmed on all sides and shall be sewn sturdily to the jacket at the ends only. The Glove Strap shall be located so that the center of the strap is 2" directly behind the handwarmer pocket with the lower edge of the strap just touching the top of the lower reflective trim. (Note: strap is to be all self-material thus no metal).

## **GUSSET SLEEVES**

The sleeves shall be of two piece construction and contoured, having an upper and a lower sleeve. Both the under and upper sleeve shall be graded in proportion to the chest size. For unrestricted movement, on the underside of each sleeve there shall be two outward facing pleats located on the front and back portion of the sleeve on the shell and thermal liner. On the moisture barrier, the system will consist of two darts, rather than pleats, to allow added length in the under sleeve. The moisture barrier darts will be seam sealed to assure liquid resistance integrity.

The pleats shall expand in response to upper arm movement and shall fold in on themselves when the arms are at rest. This expansion shall allow for greater multi-directional mobility and flexibility in the shoulder and arm areas, with little restriction or jacket rise. Neither stove-pipe nor raglan-style sleeve designs will be considered acceptable.

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#### SLEEVE CUFF REINFORCEMENTS

The sleeve cuffs shall be reinforced with a layer of self material.

The cuff reinforcements shall not be less than 2-inch in width and folded in half, approximately one half inside and one half outside the sleeve end for greater strength and abrasion resistance. The cuff reinforcement shall be double stitched to the sleeve end; a single row of stitching shall be considered unacceptable. This independent cuff provides an additional layer of protection as compared to a turned and stitched cuff. Jackets finished with a turned and stitched cuff do not provide the same level of abrasion resistance and will be considered unacceptable.

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## WRISTLETS / ELASTICIZED ADJUSTABLE SLEEVE WELLS

Each jacket shall be equipped with **Nomex**\* **hand and wrist guards** (over the hand) not less than 7 inches in length and of double thickness. A separate thumbhole with an approximate diameter of 2 inches shall be recessed approximately 1 inch from the leading edge. Nomex\* knit is constructed of 96% Nomex\* and 4% Spandex for shape retention. The color of the wristlets shall be grey.

The wristlets shall be sewn to **(Double Sleeve Well)** flame resistant neoprene coated cotton/polyester material, which in turn shall be sewn to the inside of the sleeve shell approximately 5 inches from the sleeve cuff. This sleeve well configuration serves to prevent water and other hazardous elements from entering the sleeves when the arms are raised. The neoprene material shall also line the inside of the sleeve shell from the cuff to a point approximately 5 inches up, where it joins the sleeve well and is double stitched to the shell. Four Ara-shield\* snap tabs will be sewn into the juncture of the sleeve well and wristlet. The tabs will be spaced equidistant from each other and shall be fitted with female snap fasteners to accommodate corresponding male snaps in the liner sleeves. One of the Ara-shield\* snap tabs shall be a different color in the liner to correspond with color coded snap tabs for ease of matching the liner system to the outer shell after inspection or cleaning is completed. This configuration will ensure there is no interruption in protection between the sleeve liner and wristlet.

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## LINER SHOULDER THERMAL ENHANCEMENT

A minimum of one additional layer of thermal liner material shall be used to increase thermal insulation in the shoulder area of the liner system. This thermal enhancement layer shall drape over the top of each shoulder extending from the collar to the sleeve/shoulder seam, down the front approximately 6 ¾ inches from the crown of the shoulder and down the back to a depth of approximately 3 ½ inches to provide greater CCHR protection in this high compression area. The shoulder thermal enhancement layers shall be sandwiched between the thermal liner and moisture barrier layers of the liner system and shall be stitched to the thermal liner layer only. The thermal enhancement layer shall have finished edges by means of overedging. Raw or unfinished edges shall be considered unacceptable. Thermal scraps shall not be substituted for full-cut fabric padding. Smaller CCHR reinforcements shall not be considered acceptable since they provide far less area of coverage.

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#### **RADIO POCKET**

Each jacket shall have a pocket designed for the storage of a portable radio. This pocket shall be of box type construction, double stitched to the jacket and shall have one drainage eyelet in the bottom of the pocket. The pocket flap shall be constructed of two layers of outer shell material measuring approximately 3 inches longer than the depth of the pocket and ¼ inch wider than the pocket. The pocket flap shall be closed by means of FR hook and loop fastener tape. A 1½ inch by 3 inch piece of FR hook fastener tape shall be installed on the inside of the pocket flap beginning at the center of the bottom of the flap. A 1½ inch by 3 inch piece of FR loop fastener tape shall be installed horizontally on the outside of the pocket near the top center and positioned to engage the hook fastener tape. In addition, the entire inside of the pocket shall be lined with neoprene coated cotton/polyester material to ensure that the radio is protected from the elements. The impermeable barrier material shall also be sandwiched between the two layers of outer shell material in the pocket flap for added protection. The radio pocket shall measure approximately 2 inches deep by 3.5 inches wide by 7 inches high and shall be installed on the left chest.

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## MICROPHONE STRAP

A strap shall be constructed to hold a microphone for a portable radio. It shall be sewn to the jacket at the ends only. The size of the microphone strap shall be 1 inch x 3 inches.

The microphone strap shall be mounted above the radio pocket and shall be constructed of double layer outer shell material. An additional microphone strap will be located on the right side of the jacket as well.

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## **FLASHLIGHT SNAP & STRAP**

The jackets shall be equipped with a flashlight retainer strap. An inward facing metal helmet snap, attached to a double thickness leather tab, shall be double riveted in a vertical position to the upper chest. A double thickness strap of outer shell material measuring approximately 1 inch by 12 inches, shall be double stitched to the jacket in the middle of the strap approximately 6 inches below the safety hook. 1 inch by 4 inch FR Velcro\* fastener tape shall be attached to the loose ends of the strap so that they may be joined together around the flashlight. The retainer strap shall be located on the right chest next to the stormflap.

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## **EMBROIDERED AMERICAN FLAG - RIGHT SLEEVE**

Each jacket shall have a Nomex\* embroidered American flag that measures approximately 2½ inches high by 3½ inches wide. Per Military protocol the field of stars shall be to the top right corner for installation on the right sleeve. Flags made of fabric other than Nomex\* shall be considered unacceptable.



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## **PANT CONSTRUCTION**

#### **BODY**

The body of the shell shall be constructed of four separate body panels consisting of two front panels and two back panels. The body panels shall be shaped so as to provide a tailored fit, thereby enhancing body movement and shall be joined together by double stitching with Nomex\* thread. In addition to the four body panels, there shall be a seamless, one-piece crotch gusset. The one-piece gusset allows for less bulk, comfort and more freedom of movement in this high stress area. The body panels, seam lengths and crotch gusset shall be graded to size to assure accurate fit in a broad range of sizes.

The front body panels will be wider than the rear body panels to provide more fullness over the knee area. This is accomplished by rolling the side leg seams (inside and outside) to the rear of the pant leg beginning at the knee. The slight taper will prevent premature wear of the side seams by pushing them back and away from the primary high abrasion areas encountered on the sides of the lower legs.

## **CONTOURED SADDLE**

The rise of the rear pant center back seam, including gusset, from the top back of the waistband to where it intersects the inside leg seams at the crotch shall exceed the rise at the front of the pant by approximately 8 inches. The longer rear center back seam provides added length in the seat for mobility without restriction when stepping up, kneeling, or crawling and maintains proper alignment of the knee, without twisting, directly over the kneepads when kneeling and crawling.

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## **LINER ACCESS OPENING (PANT)**

The thermal liner and moisture barrier layers of the pant liner system shall be constructed in such a way as to allow an access opening for interior inspection, service and replacement. The thermal liner and moisture barrier layers shall be stitched together for security and prevention of inadvertent use of one layer without the other. The liner system shall have a reinforcement material sewn to the bottom of the fly opening. This reinforcement will serve to prevent the liner from tearing in that area from the constant donning and doffing of the pants.

The liner system of the pant shall incorporate an opening along the back of the waistline for ease in inspecting the inner layers and to facilitate performing the complete Liner Inspection. The thermal liner and moisture barrier shall be individually bound with a neoprene coated bias cut tape and joined together on each of the front panels, along the waistband from the front fly opening to side seam. The back of the liner system will be allowed to remain open with two snaps on either side of the back seam to attach the moisture barrier layer to the thermal liner layer. As described previously, the pant thermal layer system snaps directly to the independent waistband by means of nine snap fasteners. There shall be no hook and loop used to close the liner access opening.



#### RETROREFLECTIVE FLUORESCENT TRIM

The pants shall have a stripe of retroreflective fluorescent trim encircling each leg below the knee to comply with the requirements of NFPA #1971 in 3 inch lime/yellow 3M Scotchlite™ Triple Trim (L/Y borders with silver center).

Bottom of trim band shall be located approximately 3" above cuff.

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## **REINFORCED TRIM STITCHING**

All sewn on reflective trim is secured to the outer shell with Nomex® thread, using a locking chainstitch protected. This strip of 3/32-inch strong, durable, flame resistant black Kevlar® cording provides a bed for the stitching along each edge of the retroreflective fluorescent trim surface and affords extra protection for the thread from abrasion. TrimTrax® has been proven to be 5 to 7 times more durable than single or even double rows of stitching, significantly reducing maintenance costs and providing more value and a longer service life. Two rows of stitching used to attach the trim in place of the TrimTrax® shall be considered an unacceptable alternative, since it has been proven that the two rows of stitching has insignificant impact on wear life. All trim ends shall be securely sewn into a seam for a clean finished appearance.

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#### **ELASTICIZED WAISTBAND**

The pant design facilitates the transfer of the weight of the pant to the hips instead of shoulders and suspenders. The two rear outer-shell body panels, beginning at the pant side seams, shall incorporate an elasticized waist insert, running from the side seam towards the back of the trouser for an approximate distance of 4 inches. The rear elasticized waist inserts shall be integral to the shell of the pant and the elasticized portions shall be covered by the outer shell fabric of the pant.

The waist area of the pants shall be reinforced on the inside with a separate piece of black aramid outer shell material, cut on the bias (diagonally). The reinforcement shall be folded in half, for a finished bottom edge and shall have a finished width of not less than approximately 1½ inches. The top edge of the waistband reinforcement shall be double stitched to the outer shell at the top of the pants. The lower edge of the waistband shall be unattached to the shell to accept the thermal liner and moisture barrier. The top of the thermal liner and moisture barrier shall be secured to the underside of the waistband reinforcement by means of nine snaps, spaced equidistant along the length of the waistband reinforcement. Inserting the liner system between the waistband reinforcement and outer shell serves to reduce the possibility of liner detachment while donning and doffing. The independent waistband construction affords greater comfort and fit than a turned and stitched method. Pants that do not include an independent waistband or are not cut on the bias will not provide the same amount of stretch to the garment and shall be considered unacceptable.

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## **EXTERNAL / INTERNAL FLY FLAP**

The pants will have a vertical outside fly flap constructed of two layers of outer shell material, with a layer of moisture barrier material sandwiched between. The fly flap shall be double stitched to the left front body panel and shall measure approximately 2 ¾ inches wide, with a length graded to size based on waist measurement and reinforced with bartacks at the base. An internal fly flap constructed of one layer of outer shell material, thermal liner and specified moisture barrier, measuring approximately 2 inches wide, with a length graded to size based on waist, shall be sewn to the leading edge of the right front body panel.

The underside of the outside fly flap shall have a 1½ inch wide piece of FR loop fastener tape quadruple stitched full length along the shell material only; stitching shall not penetrate the moisture barrier insert between the two shell fabric layers to insure greater thermal protection and reduced water penetration. A corresponding strip of 1½ inch wide piece of FR hook fastener tape shall be quadruple stitched to the outside right front body panel securing the fly in a closed position.

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## **CLOSURE**

## **Full Black Belt with Wide Belt Loops**

Each pant shall include an approximate 2 inch wide belt constructed of aramid webbing material with an adjustable hi-temp thermoplastic Delrin buckle serving as the exterior primary positive locking closure. This buckle shall also provide a quick-release mechanism for donning and doffing. The pants shall be equipped with a series of black aramid material belt loops spaced around the waist to accommodate the aramid belt.

There shall be three large loops measuring approximately 2 inches by 4 inches and two smaller loops measuring approximately 1/2 inch wide by 3 1/2 inches long. Two of the large belt loops shall be placed on each side of the front of the pant and third on the rear of the waist, centered over the rear seam. The two smaller loops shall be placed on the rear of the pant, behind the side seams.

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#### **OPTIONAL INTERNAL HARNESS PANT AS FOLLOWS:**

## **OPTIONAL: BLACK ARAMID BELT WITH BELT LOOPS**

If the IH Pant is ordered with either an Escape Belt or a Harness, that belt shall be installed as the positive pant closure. If neither an Escape Belt or a Harness is specified, the IH Pant shall include an approximate 2-inch wide belt constructed of aramid webbing material with an adjustable hi-temp thermoplastic Delrin buckle serving as the exterior primary positive locking closure. This buckle shall also provide a quick-release mechanism for donning and doffing.

The pants shall be equipped with a series of belt loops, spaced around the waist to accommodate an Escape Belt, a Harness or the aramid belt. One loop shall be located on the rear of the waist, centered



over the rear seam, measuring approximately 2 inches by 4 inches. There shall be two additional wide loops at the front of each pant. The top of these two belt loops shall be angled, with the top measuring approximately 2% inches and the bottom measuring approximately 4% inches. Under each of the front belt loops there shall be a slit to accommodate an internal harness passing from the inside of the pant, to the outside. The slits shall be at the same angle as the front belt loops, reinforced with black Ara-Shield material, and having an opening that measures approximately 3 inches.

There shall be 2-piece loops constructed of a double layer of black aramid material installed inside the shell in the hip area, which shall serve to hold the leg loops of an optional internal harness in place. The top and bottom of the loops shall attach to each other with an approximate 1 inch by 1 inch FR hook and loop fastener tape sew to the ends.

In addition to the 3 wide belt loops, there shall be two rappelling harness loops installed at the rear of the pant, just behind each side seam. The loops will be constructed of Ara-Shield® material and will be of a 2-piece design – top and bottom. The top and bottom of each loop will attach to each other with snap fasteners and FR hook and loop fastener tape sewn to the ends to accommodate donning of the harness.

#### **OPTIONAL: CARABINER HOLD DOWN STRAP**

The IH pant shall be equipped with a carabiner hold down strap. The strap shall be constructed of double layer black Ara-Sheild $^{\circ}$  material, consisting of two separate portions to form a strap with an opening of approximately 3 inches. Each portion of the strap shall measure approximately 1% inches wide by 3% inches long. The lower portion of the strap shall be double needle stitched in the vertical position, opening upwards. There shall be a piece of 1% by 2% inch hook FR fastener tape single needle stitched to the strap approximately % inch up from the bottom. The upper portion of the strap shall be double needle stitched in the vertical position, opening downwards to interface with the lower portion of the strap. There shall be a piece of corresponding 1% by 2% inch loop FR fastener tape single needle stitched to the strap approximately % inch down from the top of the strap. On both the upper and lower portions of the strap, there shall be a bartack centered between the double needle stitching. The strap shall be located behind the left front belt loop.

In the event the IH Pant is ordered with the Escape Belt, there shall be an additional carabiner hold down strap, added to the right front belt loop.

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## **OPTIONAL: INTERNAL SEAT HARNESS SERIES 2**

The internal seat harness shall be independently certified to NFPA 1983, Standard on Life Safety Rope and Equipment for Emergency Services, as a Class II harness. The harness shall consist of a 1¾ inches Kevlar® waist belt with an external hardware loop made from 2 inch wide black Kevlar® webbing. All ends of webbing shall be reinforced with a coated fabric to prevent raveling. The waist belt, graded to waist size, shall secure at the front with a hook and an adjustable D-ring closure. This closure system is also the positive front closure for the pants. Attached to the waist belt are a left and a right 2-inch Kevlar® webbing leg loop, constructed without hardware, and graded for the circumference of the pant legs. The external hardware loop connecting each individual leg loop is constructed from two



combined layers of webbing which form an A-frame and a connection point for the hardware. The leg loops shall be secured to the waist belt by means of a slot formed by an opening in the stitching combining the layers. This construction allow the leg loops to rest lower on the legs for less restriction when the harness is not loaded, but with the ability to snug up higher against the body when the harness is loaded. The slot openings also allow the waist belt to be adjusted in size with the leg loops properly positioned between the front belt loops and the front harness closure. The right and left leg loops shall be installed between the outer shell fabric of the pants and the pants liner, and the strap from each leg loop shall exit the outer shell under the front belt loops on each side of the pants front closure. The center of the hardware loop shall be sewn to narrow the width at its center and reinforced on the outside with a layer of Ara-Shield material. Sewn to the inside of the center of the hardware loop shall be a 1-inch webbing, which forms a ring to secure the pin of the specified ladder hook. The A-frame hardware loop shall be sized to permit the ladder hook to be secured to the keeper strap located on the front left side of the pants. This hardware loop must be positioned so as to allow the use of the ladder hook without deploying the escape system, and to accommodate donning and doffing of the pants with all hardware installed. A D-ring with a sliding bar shall be attached to the hardware loop to connect to the escape system in the right pocket.

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#### ARTICULATED KNEE

The outer shell of the pant legs shall be constructed with horizontal pleats in the knee area with corresponding darts in the liner. In order to provide increased freedom of movement and maximum flexibility, extra material is built into the knee area and this additional fullness is contained by stitching down the pleats on the inside of the shell. The knee reinforcement shall be installed proportionate to the pant inseam, in such a manner that it falls in an anatomically correct knee location.

The thermal liner shall be constructed with four darts per leg in the front of the knee. Two shall be located above the knee (one on each side) and two shall be located below the knee (one on each side). On the moisture barrier, the system shall consist of two darts, rather than pleats, to allow added length in the under knee. The darts in the liner provide a natural bend at the knee. The darts in the liner work in conjunction with the expansion panels in the outer shell to increase freedom of movement when kneeling, crawling, climbing stairs or ladders, etc.

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## **LINER KNEE THERMAL ENHANCEMENT**

A minimum of one additional layer of specified thermal liner and one additional layer of moisture barrier material, measuring a minimum of 9 inches by 11 inches, shall be sewn to the knee area of the liner system for added Conductive, Compression Heat Resistance (CCHR) protection and increased thermal insulation in this high compression area. The knee thermal enhancement layers shall be sandwiched between the thermal liner and moisture barrier layers of the liner system and shall be stitched to the thermal liner layer only. The thermal enhancement layer shall have finished edges by means of overedging. Raw or unfinished edges shall be considered unacceptable. Thermal scraps shall not be substituted for full-cut fabric padding. Smaller CCHR reinforcements shall not be considered acceptable since they provide far less area of coverage.



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#### CATHEDRAL KNEE REINFORCEMENTS

The knee area shall be reinforced with a layer of black self-material. The cathedral shaped knee reinforcement shall be centered on the leg to ensure proper coverage when bending, kneeling and crawling. The knee reinforcements shall measure a minimum of approximately 7 inches wide by 12 inches high at the highest point and shall be double stitched to the outside of the outer shell in the knee area for greater strength and abrasion resistance. The articulated cathedral knee reinforcement shall be cut and stitched to the shell in such a way that there shall be an arch at the top of the reinforcement, tapering down the sides of the reinforcement with a squared off bottom. Knee reinforcements of a smaller size do not provide the same protective coverage and shall be considered unacceptable.

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## PADDING UNDER KNEE REINFORCEMENTS

Padding for the knees shall be accomplished with one layer of **Silizone**° foam, sandwiched between the thermal liner and moisture barrier. The placement of Silizone° padding on the thermal versus the shell reduces bulk in the shell and also serves to protect the padding from abrasion and other wear issues that the outer shell is subject to. Pants with Silizone° knee padding on the shell as opposed to on the liner, do not provide the same level of bulk reduction and abrasion resistance and are not recommended.

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## **EXPANSION (BELLOWS) POCKETS**

An expansion pocket, measuring approximately 2 inches deep by 10 inches wide by 10 inches high shall be double stitched to the side of each leg straddling the out-seam above the knee and positioned to provide accessibility. The lower half of each expansion pocket shall be reinforced with an additional layer of Kevlar\* twill material on the inside. Two rust resistant metal drain eyelets shall be installed on the underside of each expansion pocket to facilitate drainage of water. The pocket flaps shall be rectangular in shape, constructed of two layers of outer shell material and shall measure approximately 3 inches deeper than the pocket expansion and ½ inch wider than the pocket. The upper pocket corners shall be reinforced with proven backtacks and pocket flaps shall be reinforced with backtacks. The pocket flaps shall be closed by means of FR hook and loop fastener tape. Two pieces of 1½ inch by 3 inch FR hook fastener tape shall be installed vertically on the inside of each pocket flap (one piece on each end). Two corresponding pieces of 1½ inch by 3 inch FR loop fastener tape shall be installed horizontally on the outside of each pocket near the top (one piece on each end) and positioned to engage the hook fastener tape.

## **PANT CUFF REINFORCEMENTS**

The cuff area of the pants shall be reinforced with a layer of black material



The cuff reinforcement shall not be less than 2 inch in width and folded in half, approximately one half inside and one half outside the end of the legs for greater strength and abrasion resistance. The cuff reinforcement shall be double stitched to the outer shell for a minimum of two rows of stitching. This independent cuff provides an additional layer of protection over a hemmed cuff. Pants that are turned and stitched at the cuff, as opposed to an independent cuff reinforcement, do not provide the same level of abrasion resistance and shall be considered unacceptable.

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#### PADDED RIP-CORD SUSPENDERS & ATTACHMENT

On the inside waistband shall be attachments for the standard "H" style "Padded Rip-Cord" suspenders. There will be four attachments total – 2 front, 2 back. The suspender attachments shall be constructed of black Ara-Shield\* material measuring approximately ½ inch wide by 3-inches long. They shall be sewn in a horizontal position on the ends only to form a loop. The appearance will be much like a horizontal belt loop to capture the suspender ends.

A pair of "H" style "Padded Rip-Cord" suspenders shall be specially configured for use with the pants. The main body of the suspenders shall be constructed of 2 inch wide black webbing straps. The suspenders shall run over each shoulder to a point approximately shoulder blade high on the back, where they shall be joined by a 2 inch wide horizontal piece of webbing measuring approximately 8-inches long, forming the "H". This shall prevent the suspenders from slipping off the shoulders. The shoulder area of the suspenders will be padded for comfort by fully encasing the webbing with aramid batting and wrap-around black aramid.

The rear ends of the suspenders will be sewn to 2-inch wide elasticized webbing extensions measuring approximately 8-inches in length and terminating with thermoplastic loops. The forward ends of the suspender straps shall be equipped with specially configured black powder coat non-slip metal slides with teeth. Through the metal slides will be the 9 inch lengths of strap webbing "Rip-Cords" terminating with thermoplastic loops on each end. Pulling on the "Rip-Cords" shall allow for quick adjustment of the suspenders.

Threaded through and attached to the thermoplastic loops on the forward and rear ends of the suspenders will be black aramid suspender attachments incorporating two snap fasteners. The aramid suspender attachments are to be threaded through the suspender attachment loops on the inside waistband of the pants. The aramid suspender attachments will then fold over and attach to themselves securing the suspender to the pants.

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#### **REVERSE BOOT CUT**

The outer shell pant leg cuffs will be constructed such that the back of the leg is approximately 1 inch shorter than the front. The liner will also have a reverse boot cut at the rear of the cuff and a concave cut at the front to keep the liner from hanging below the shell. This construction feature will minimize the chance of premature wear of the cuffs and injuries due to falls as a result of "walking" on the pant cuffs. Pants that have "cut-outs" in the back panel rather than a contoured boot cut shall be considered unacceptable.



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## THIRD PARTY TESTING AND LISTING PROGRAM

All components used in the construction of these garments shall be tested for compliance to NFPA Standard #1971 by Underwriters Laboratories (UL). Underwriters Laboratories shall certify and list compliance to that standard. Such certification shall be denoted by the Underwriters Laboratories certification label.

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## **LABELS**

Appropriate warning label(s) shall be permanently affixed to each garment. Additionally, the label(s) shall include the following information.

Compliance to NFPA Standard #1971
Underwriters Laboratories classified mark
Manufacturer's name
Manufacturer's address
Manufacturer's garment identification number
Date of manufacture
Size

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## ISO CERTIFICATION / REGISTRATION

The protective clothing manufacturer shall be certified and registered to ISO Standard 9001 to assure a satisfactory level of quality. Indicate below whether the manufacturer is so certified and registered by checking either "Yes" or "No" in the space provided.

YES	NO
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#### **BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU:**

The manufacturer is accredited by the Better Business Bureau, showing a commitment to ethical and principled business practices.

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## **Delivery:**

Delivery date must be within 50 days of the sizing and order date.

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#### **Contract Extension:**

The contract can be extended up to three (3) years with mutually agreed extension. All price increases must be provided within 90-days of increase.

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#### **WARRANTY:**

The manufacturer shall warrant these jackets and pants to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for their serviceable life when properly used and cared for. Warranty claims shall be handled on-site at Marysville Fire District Station 62 and at the other participating Departments listed within this bid by the successful bidder. Garments needing warranty repair or replacement shall be picked up by the successful bidder and entirely without cost to the Marysville Fire District and other participating Departments listed within this bid.

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#### HOOK AND LOOP SUPPORT PROGRAM

Support program shall cover hook or loop tape that has begun to fray or otherwise degrade from normal wear. This program shall remain in effect for a period of five years from the original date of manufacture of the garment. This support program shall cover the repair or replacement, without charge, of any hook and/or loop on the garments produced by the manufacturer providing the garments are otherwise serviceable.

This support program does NOT cover damage from fire, heat, chemicals, misuse, accident or negligence. Failure to properly care for garments will serve to void this support program.

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#### **SIZING BY DEALER:**

Both male and female sizing samples shall be available. Sizing shall be performed on-site at Marysville Fire District and at end user's location and scheduled with shift assignments as needed. Actual garments for firefighters to try by the successful vendor. Note that Marysville and other participating Departments listed within this bid firefighters work several shifts and in several locations throughout North Snohomish County necessitating multiple visits by the vendor for sizing. Vendor shall be solely responsible for correct and safe fit of each firefighter measured. Garments that do not fit shall be rejected and replaced or repaired as needed until fit is correct.

The vendor shall be available to perform all sizing requirements within 96 hours of written notice. Measuring with a tape measure is not acceptable.

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#### **GARMENT TRAINING AND SUPPORT**

OSHA requires employees be trained on the capabilities and limitations of their Personal Protective Equipment. The selected vendor shall provide the following:

On-site care and maintenance training shall be provided by the manufacturer. Training shall be in compliance with NFPA 1851, current edition, at the conclusion of which each participant shall receive a certificate of completion.

An on-site OSHA mandated training class on the PPE User Awareness shall be provided at no charge. The training shall include structural firefighting coat, pant and boots. A minimum of four (4) classes shall be offered, at no charge to the Marysville Fire District. Agencies that use this bid will be invited to the Marysville training to meet this requirement.

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#### BAR-CODE/RECORD KEEPING INTERFACE

A one (1) dimensional barcode, in the interleaved two (2) of five (5) format shall be printed on the label of each separable layer of the garment.

This barcode shall represent the serial number of the garment. The manufacturer shall be able to provide a detailed list of each asset of a drop-shipped order, and shall include the following: Brand:

Order Number:

Serial Number:

Style Number:

Color:

Description:

Chest/Waist Size:

Jacket/pant Length:

Sleeve Length:

Date of Manufacture:

Mark-For Data:

This information shall be able to be imported into the manufacturers web-based system designed to facilitate the organization and tracking of assets in accordance with the cleaning and inspection requirements of OSHA and NFPA 1851.

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#### PPE RECORD KEEPING

The manufacturer shall make available and at no-charge, a brand neutral, password protected database accessed and available through the World Wide Web, capable of tracking structural firefighting Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) inventories, repairs, maintenance, status, assignments, purchase costs, maintenance and repair costs, repair facilities names and addresses, dates of activities, and PPE final disposition, in addition to providing various administrative reports. Upon acceptance of any purchase of PPE through this bid agreement, the



bidder agrees to populate the purchaser's records in the database with the appropriate information. This information must be capable with a common barcoding and scanner program.

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## **EXCEPTIONS TO SPECIFICATIONS**

Any and all exceptions to the above specifications must be **clearly stated for each heading**. Use additional pages for exceptions and list them in the same order as these specifications.

#### **COUNTRY OF ORIGIN**

Jackets and Pants shall be manufactured in the United States. Bids for garments not manufactured in the U. S. will be rejected.

## **DEALER REPRESENTATION**

Successful bidder shall be the authorized representative of the manufacturer of the garments and maintain a full-time office in the State of Washington staffed with customer service personnel available through a toll-free phone number. In addition, successful bidder shall employ a full-time factory-trained field representative to perform sizing, warranty adjustments, and technical support. In case of emergency needs the field representative shall also be available by phone after normal business hours. Bids from bidders without a full-time office and full-time field representative employed by the bidder, shall be rejected.

Name of Dealer:	
Address of Dealer:	
Toll-free Phone Number of Dealer:	
Number of Full-time Customer Service	
Representatives:	
Name of Field Representative:	
After-hours Contact Phone Number of Field	
Representative:	