

KNOW THE THREATS. KNOW THE SOLUTIONS.

At SAFARILAND® ARMORWEAR® our own extensive internal vest-testing program is just a start. Every one of our armor solutions also goes through the US Department of Justice's National Institute of Justice (NIJ) testing process. This offers independent verification through multiple rounds of testing under conditions far more rigorous than will typically be encountered in a shooting situation.

NIJ COMPLIANT

The NIJ Body Armor Compliance Testing program verifies that a particular piece of body armor meets or exceeds certain standards. Body armor tested to NIJ 2005 Interim Requirements for Bullet-Resistance of Personal Body Armor falls into one of six different categories:

LEVEL I	LEVEL IIA	LEVEL II	LEVEL IIIA	LEVEL III	LEVEL IV
Protects against .22 caliber Long Rifle Lead Round Nose (LR LRN) and .380 ACP Full Metal Jacketed Round Nose (FMJ RN).	Protects against .9mm FMJ and .40 S&W caliber FMJ.	Protects against .357 Magnum JSP and 9mm FMJ.	Protects against higher-velocity 9mm FMJ and .44 Magnum semi-jacketed hollow point (JSP).	Protects against 7.62mm FMJ.	Protects against .30 caliber armor piercing (AP).
					

SPECIAL THREATS

The NIJ Standard 0101.04 defines "Special Type" ballistic rounds, or 'special threats', as:

"A purchaser having a special requirement for a level of protection other than one of the above standard types and threat levels should specify the exact test round(s) and minimum reference impact velocities to be used, and indicate that this standard shall govern in all other aspects."



Before any NIJ testing, SAFARILAND® ARMORWEAR® performs its own special threat testing on ballistic packages during the research and development process. Our technicians fire at common street and combat velocities using a wide variety of calibers, firearms and ammunition. Also, depending on the end use, SAFARILAND® ARMORWEAR® will test against fragmentation threats.