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1. Safety Regulations

1.1. Correct Use

The chemical protective suit Vautex Elite ET (hereinafter referred to as protective suit) is particularly intended to protect the wearer's skin from danger caused by liquid or gaseous toxic agents. As total encapsulating protective clothing it is worn over working clothes and the protective breathing apparatus. It offers excellent protection in emergencies, decontamination work, securing leaks or similar.

The protective suit does not provide protection against heat or cold and is not itself a complete breathing protection apparatus. It must be worn in conjunction with the following series of compressed air breathing apparatus:

- BD N
- BD 283
- BD 296 N
- DA 300
- DA 300-2
- BD AE
- BD 88/96 AS
- BD AirMaXX
- BD AirGo

The protective suit described in this operating manual comply with the European Directives 89/686/EEC and 94/9/EC (→ Section 7.1).

The EC type examination was carried out by the DEKRA EXAM GmbH, (Dinnendahlstraße 9, D-44809 Bochum).

- Reference number of the organisation concerned: 0158
- EC prototype certificate No.: 5697 A/05/28 PSA

It is imperative that this operating manual be read and observed when using the product. In particular, the safety instructions, as well as the information for the use and operation of the product, must be carefully read and observed. Furthermore, the national regulations applicable in the user's country must be taken into account for a safe use.

Danger!

This product is supporting life and health. Inappropriate use, maintenance or servicing may affect the function of the device and thereby seriously compromise the user’s life.

Before use the product operability must be verified. The product must not be used, if the function test is unsuccessful, it is damaged, a competent servicing/maintenance has not been made, genuine MSA spare parts have not been used.

Alternative use, or use outside these specifications will be considered as non-compliance. This also applies especially to unauthorised alterations to the product and to commissioning work that has not been carried out by MSA or authorised persons.

1.2. Liability Information

MSA accepts no liability in cases where the product has been used inappropriately or not as intended. The selection and use of the product are the exclusive responsibility of the individual operator.

Product liability claims, warranties also as guarantees made by MSA with respect to the product are voided, if it is not used, serviced or maintained in accordance with the instructions in this manual.
2. Description

2.1. Design of the Protective Suit

The one-piece suit is made of a special compound material with a gas-tight zip protected by a zip cover. The zip runs vertically on the front from the right leg up to the head section. The lens is fitted gas and fluid-tight. The protective gloves and safety high boots can be changed and fitted as gas and liquid-tight.

The helmet cover as visor holder provides added comfort to the protective suit. It fixes the visor of the protective helmet (only MSA GALLET Helmets F1S, F1SA, F1E and F1SF).
**Attention!**

Wearing a protective suit and a compressed air breathing apparatus will put a physical strain on the wearer. Wearing the protective suit for extended periods can cause heat stress. The wearer must, therefore, be suited to wearing the protective suit (good health, possibly carry out a preventive medical examination first). Moreover, when in use, regional guidelines and accident prevention regulations must be observed.

The operating time must be limited in accordance with specific national regulations.

The back part is prepared for wearing a compressed air breathing apparatus under the protective suit.

The head part in the protective suit is spacious enough to allow a protective helmet (→ Section 3.1) to be worn under the protective suit. In order to adapt to different helmet sizes an adjustable head strap is fitted to the inside of the suit between both suit valves.

The inhalation air is supplied to the wearer from the compressed air breathing apparatus via the automatic lung mechanisms and the full face mask. The exhalation air passes through the exhalation valve of the full face mask to the inside of the protective suit and finally via the suit valves into the ambient atmosphere.

The protective suit is equipped with transponder technology for protective suits. The transponder is an electronic data carrier on which a code is saved. The code is read contactless with the AUER transponder reader (→ Section 8) and thus enables a clear identification of the chemical protective suit. In order to show, and to further process the code, a PC or MSA Proficheck and the corresponding MSA / TecBos software is required in conjunction with the AUER transponder reader.

The service life of the protective suit is at least 10 years when correctly serviced and stored and does not apply to use.

Operating temperatures: -30°C to +60°C
2.2. Surfaces for Customer-Specific Marking

The following surfaces are provided on the protective suit for customer-specific marking.

![Front view of protective suit](image1)

![Back view of protective suit](image2)

Fig. 2 Marking Surfaces on the Protective Suit

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3. Use

3.1. Safety Instructions

**Attention!**
In order to prevent electrostatic load when entering explosive atmospheres the protective suit must be moistened with water on the outside and kept moistened whilst in the explosive area.
To comply with the ATEX classification (→ Section 7.1) please apply antimist agent klar-pilot spray on the outside of the lens.

**Attention!**
The protective suit is not suitable for firefighting.

Before donning the suit, the wearer must check that there are no missing parts (e.g. suit valves, gloves and boots).

When using in the colder environments heat insulating clothing is recommended.

As clothing under the protective suit the following is recommended:
- cotton underwear and socks,
- cotton gloves,
- e.g. one-piece overall with legs and sleeves that can be closed tightly or a firefighting protective suit,
- protective helmet (e.g. DIN firefighting helmet MSA Linesman, MSA GALLET: F1S, F1SA, F2 or F2 XTREM,
- protective helmets with helmet cover as visor holder (MSA GALLET F1S, F1SA, F1E, F1SF) (→ Section 3.2).

3.2. Helmet cover as visor holder

The helmet cover as visor holder is available for the helmets MSA GALLET F1S, F1SA, F1E, F1SF.

**Pulling on the helmet cover as visor holder**

1. Pull the helmet cover as visor holder over the visor.
2. Pull the helmet cover as visor holder completely over the bottom edge of the helmet.
3.3. Preparation
Before donning the protective suit the following instructions must be followed:

1. Spread the protective suit on the floor.
2. Align the sleeves and legs of the protective suit ensuring there are no twists.
3. Open the zip fully and carefully in stages.
4. Treat the suit lens on the inside and the lens of the respiratory protective mask on the inside and outside with the anti-misting agent MSA klar-pilot.
5. Place the safety high boots upright and expose the boot openings.
6. Align the suspenders if available.
7. Switch on the radio, adjust and test.
8. Check the compressed air breathing apparatus and full face mask in accordance with the corresponding operating manual and check the sealing.

3.4. Donning the Protective Suit

When donning the protective suit a second person (assistant) is required to help.

Suspenders can be supplied by MSA as an option including a supplementary sheet for donning. They keep the suit held in position better. The suspenders do not form part of the supply of the EC prototype test!

Donning respiratory protection

1. Put the compressed air breathing apparatus and full face mask on in accordance with the corresponding operating manual.
2. Open cylinder valves fully.
3. Don the protective helmet and put on the cotton gloves.

Attention!
Ensure that the mask is properly tightened since it could slip as a result of the wearer’s increased sweat when wearing the protective suit.

Adjusting the head strap

4. The assistant adjusts the head strap so that the head section is set to the optimum size for the size of the helmet.
**Donning the boots**

5. Stand next to the protective suit, remove footwear.
6. Step into the suit.
7. Step into the right, followed by the left, boot.

**Donning suspenders (if available) and support belt**

8. Adjust the length of the support belt from the crotch of the protective suit.
9. Pull the protective suit up to crotch.
10. Lay the straps of the suspenders over the shoulders.
11. Roughly adjust the length of the suspender straps.
12. Engage the suspenders strap in the ring.
13. Engage the support belt in the ring.
14. Adjust the length of the suspenders strap exactly.
   - The strap must be attached tightly whilst ensuring freedom of movement.
15. Adjust the length of the support belt exactly.
   - The belt must be attached tightly whilst ensuring freedom of movement.

**Attaching the support belt (without suspenders)**

16. Roughly adjust the length of the support belt from the crotch of the protective suit.
17. Pull the protective suit up to crotch.
18. Attach the support belt to the waist belt of the compressed air breathing apparatus.
19. Adjust the length of the support belt.
   The belt must be attached tightly whilst ensuring freedom of movement.

**Pulling the left glove over fully**

20. The assistant holds on to the loose hanging sleeves of the protective suit at the support ring of the left glove system and pulls the sleeve without creases to the side.
21. Pull the left sleeve on fully whilst ensuring that the glove system fits properly.
Pulling the protective suit on
(22) The assistant raises the protective suit over the compressed air cylinders.
(23) Hold the lens up by the bottom edge using your left hand.
(24) The assistant places the head part over the helmet.

Fitting the radio (if available)
(25) Connect the radio with the headset and place in the radio holder.
(26) Carry out a communication test and adjust the channel and volume if required

The radio pocket does not form part of the supply of the EC prototype test!

Pulling the right glove over fully
(27) The assistant holds on to the support ring of the right glove system and pulls the sleeve without creases to the side.
(28) Pull the right sleeve on fully whilst ensuring that the glove system fits properly.

Attention!
Carefully close the zip by gently pulling. As the zip slider moves downwards, hold on to the suit material at the same level.
Pulling with excessive force can lead to irreparable damage and to the zip opening when in use or losing its sealing.
Make sure that both halves of the chain are located parallel to each other without lateral load.
Closing the protective suit

(29) Stretch your right arm gently backwards and downwards and use your left hand to hold the lens upwards by the bottom edge to ensure that the zip is freely accessible and tight for closing.

(30) The assistant gently closes the zip in stages until reaching chest height.

(31) The assistant connects the automatic lung mechanism.

(32) The assistant gently fully closes the zip in stages.

Attention!

In order to prevent the penetration of toxic agents the zip must be fully closed. In order to verify this, the assistant must look through the lens from the outside to the zip end. If any light can be seen the zip must be closed up to the end chamber.

(33) Close the push buttons on the zip cover.

Check readiness for use

(34) Check the freedom of movement of the head, arms and legs.
(35) Test the radio
(36) Indicate readiness for use.

3.5. Removing the Protective Suit

Attention!

If the protective suit is heavily soiled a preliminary cleaning should be carried out by an assistant before removing to ensure that toxic agents are removed from the protective suit. Whilst doing so the protective suit remains fully donned and closed. The assistant must wear the appropriate personal protection equipment when doing this e.g. protective gloves, respiratory protection, protective suit.

The preliminary cleaning is, if possible, performed using water with suitable detergent additives with the zip cover open.

When removing the protective suit, avoid any contact with the soiled outside of the suit. To avoid any impurities from reaching the inside the assistant must ensure that he does not come into contact with them.
The removal of the protective suit is performed in reverse order from the donning procedure:

Attention!
Carefully open the zip by pulling gently.
As the zip slider moves downwards, hold on to the suit material at the same level.
Opening with excessive force can cause long-lasting damage.

1. Open the zip cover.
2. Pull your arms from the sleeves and hold on to the lens from the inside.
3. Open the protective suit carefully.
4. Pull the protective suit off.
5. Drop off helmet.
6. Remove the compressed air breathing apparatus.
7. In order to protect the inside of the suit from contamination fully close the zip of the removed protective suit.
8. For transport of the protective suit, e.g. loosely fold the suit and pack into a polythene bag or similar.

3.6. Disposal

The protective clothing itself does not require any special handling with regard to disposal. However, the disposal of contaminated protective suits is carried out in accordance with local legislation depending on the extent of the contamination through toxic waste.
4. Cleaning, Disinfection

4.1. Cleaning

The protective suit must be cleaned after each use. To do this remove the valve discs of the suit (→ Section 5.3) and unbutton the rucksack reinforcement. These parts must be cleaned separately and fitted back only after they have been dried.

Attention!

The use of cleaning and disinfection materials, or the use of cleaning and disinfection processes, which are not permitted by MSA, can damage the protective suit and can destroy its protective properties (e.g. the use of a washing machine and drier).

Do not clean the protective suit using hard, sharp or pointed instruments.

Do not use organic solvents for cleaning such as nitro thinner, alcohol, spirit, petrol.

The protective suit is to be cleaned as follows:

1. If the protective suit is not too badly soiled wash it once by hand at 30°C using a mild detergent. If badly soiled repeat the washing procedure.

2. Then rinse twice in clear water.

Attention!

To ensure full tightness the zip links must be free from foreign bodies such as bristles, hairs, threads and other impurities.

3. Thoroughly clean the zip separately with water and a soft brush.

4. Then hang the protective suit by the boots to dry.

Attention!

The protective suit and the removed parts must not be dried in radiant heat (e.g. sunlight, radiators) to prevent destroying the structure of the protective suit. When using a drying cabinet, the temperature may not exceed 40°C.

5. After cleaning the protective suit disinfect it e.g. with the disinfectant AUER 90 (→ Section 4.2).

6. Then rinse thoroughly with water!

7. After each use and cleaning/ disinfection, a tightness test of the protective suit and its valves is performed (→ Section 5.2).

8. Grease the zip (→ Section 5.5).
4.2. Disinfection
Disinfection should only be carried out as follows using disinfectant AUER 90 only:
(1) Dilute the disinfectant AUER 90 with water (water temperature max. 30°C).
(2) Immerse the parts to be disinfected directly in the disinfectant solution or apply the solution with a rag and allow it to work.
(3) Then rinse all parts thoroughly with water.
Concentration and working times of the disinfectant AUER 90:

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⚠️ Attention!
The safety instructions on the bottle or container of the disinfectant AUER 90 must be observed.

5. Maintenance

5.1. Maintenance Intervals
The maintenance work shall be carried out by qualified service engineers or technicians. The corresponding seminars can be ordered at MSA.

All maintenance work carried out must be noted on the appropriate inspection plate.
The maintenance periods specified below refer only to protective suits.

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5.2. Tightness Test of the Protective Suit

After each use, after each cleaning / disinfection, after each maintenance / repair or on a half-yearly basis, a tightness test of the protective suit must be performed. In order to do so use the MSA suit tightness tester kit with the valve leak test adapter. The valves can be tested using a mask testing instrument in conjunction with the valve leak test adapter and the compensation container.

The test instruments can be ordered separately at MSA (→ Section 8).

Only inflate the protective suit with clean oil-free compressed air (breathable air quality in accordance with EN 12021) to ensure that after the tightness test there are no residues left in the suit.

In order to avoid erroneous measurement perform the test in a draught-free room.

Test according to EN 464:

1) Remove the valve discs and angled prechambers, close the valve bodies with the valve closing cap (this can act simultaneously as a test and/or filling connection).
2) Inflate the suit to 18 mbar positive pressure. Whilst doing so the pressure must be held for 10 minutes at 17.0 ±0.5 mbar.
3) Reduce positive pressure to 16.5 ±0.3 mbar (test pressure). The maximum permitted pressure drop in 6 min: 3 mbar.
4) At the end of the test, reassemble the valve discs and the angled prechambers.
5) Then perform a valve tightness test (→ Section 5.3).

In practice the following maintenance test has divergently been tried and tested:

1) Remove the valve discs and angled prechambers, close the valve bodies with the valve closing cap (this can act simultaneously as a test and/or filling connection).
2) Inflate protective suit 18 ±0.5 mbar positive pressure.
3) Stabilising time approx. 3 min.
4) Reduce positive pressure to 16 ±0.5 mbar (test pressure). The maximum permitted pressure drop is in 3 min: 2 mbar.
5) At the end of the test reassemble the valve discs and angled prechambers.
6) Then perform a valve tightness test (→ Section 5.3).

In the event of doubt, check in accordance with EN 464 (see above).

Checks in case of leaks

If leaks are detected during the tightness test it must be checked whether

- the test instrument is tightly connected to the valve,
- the zip is fully closed and tight,
- the valves are properly assembled.
5.3. Replacing the Suit Valves

![Fig. 3 Suit Valve](image)

**Fig. 3 Suit Valve**

1. Ring nut
2. Slip ring
3. Gasket
4. Valve housing
5. Valve disc
6. Prechamber

**Removing the suit valves**

1. Pull off the angled prechamber of the valve to be removed.
2. Open the suit and lay out the inside to allow access to the valve.
3. Use one hand to grip the valve housing from the outside and the other to unscrew the ring nut from the valve housing inwards using a valve spanner.

**Reassembling the suit valves**

1. Insert the ring nut with the slip ring correctly fitted from inside through the head strap hole, the gasket opening and the valve hole on the suit shell.
2. Screw the valve housing onto the ring nut from the outside.
3. Use one hand to grip the valve housing from the outside and the other to screw on the ring nut from the inside to the valve housing using a valve spanner.
   
   The torque must be 250 Ncm.
4. Fit the valve disc.
5. Mount the prechamber by overstretching whereby the angled part is pointing in the direction of the boot.

5.4. Tightness Test of the Valves

After each use and cleaning / disinfection and after each maintenance / repair task or every half-year, a tightness test of the suit valves must be carried out. The tightness of the suit valves is to be checked using e.g. the MSA valve leak test adapter in connection with the compensation container and the mask tightness test instrument (→ Section 5.1):

- create a negative pressure of 10 mbar.
- max. pressure change within one minute must not exceed 1 mbar.

If a leak is detected, either the valve disc or the entire suit valve assembly must be replaced. To do this, the threaded ring is unscrewed from the inside of the suit using an assembly spanner.

The valve discs and gaskets must be replaced every two years (→ Section 5.1).
5.5. Zip

Fig. 4 Zip Area to be treated with Grease

1 Grease film
2 Zip links

After each use, after each cleaning or disinfection or every half year (→ Section 5.1) the zip should be lubricated using a grease pencil or it should be sprayed using a zip grease spray. This applies a thin film of grease to the zip links.

5.6. Visual Control of the Protective Suit

The protective suit must be checked for irregularities. These include:

- scratches or abrasion points,
- breaks in the suit material
- swollen or brittle material
- and damaged seams.

Visible changes to the outside of the suit material such as slight abrasion and / or slight discolouration do not impair its protective effectiveness against chemicals.

The discharge of ageing inhibition agents during storage does not impair the quality of the safety high boots.

5.7. Repair

The repair of suit material, seams or the replacement of zips may only be carried out by MSA or MSA authorised customer service.

Before submitting the protective suit for maintenance and/or repair purposes, it must be fully decontaminated, cleaned and disinfected. Confirmation of this is given on the maintenance and repair form (→ Section 8).

Only MSA original spare parts can be used for repairs.

5.8. Replacing the Lens

The replacement of the lens is solely to be carried out by authorised workshops or by MSA customer service.
5.9. Replacing the Gloves

Disassembling the outer gloves
(1) Pull off cuff tube.
(2) Pull off outer glove.

Disassembling the inner gloves
(1) Open zip fully.
(2) Turn the sleeves of the protective suit inside out.
(3) Loosen screw and nut clamp (SW7).
(4) Pull out tube piece with glove.
(5) Pull glove off tube piece.
Reassembling the inner gloves

Attention!
In order to guarantee full tightness, check the tightness of the suit after each glove replacement before fitting the outer gloves (→ Section 5.2).

1. Insert tube piece into glove cuff.
2. Insert tube piece and glove into the sleeve.
3. Align glove.
4. Fit the screw and nut clamp on.
5. Fit clamp protector under clamp.
6. Turn clamp lock on the screw clamp on the seam.
7. Tighten screw and nut clamp with SW7, tightening torque: 400 ± 30 Ncm.
8. Push inner glove to the outside.

Ensure that the clamp lock is on the seam and that the clamp protector covers the clamp lock.

Reassembling the outer gloves

1. Takes place only after successful tightness test of protective suit.
2. Pull the outer glove over the inner glove.
3. The inner roll of the outer glove must be fitted into the groove of the tube piece.
4. Then assemble the cuff tube.
5.10. Replacing the Safety High Boots

Removing the safety high boots
(1) Remove cap tube from the boot shaft.
(2) Open protective suit zip fully.
(3) Turn protective suit legs inside out.
(4) Loosen and remove screw and nut clamp (SW7).
(5) Pull out tube piece.
(6) Remove safety high boot from the protective suit leg.
Reassembling the safety high boots

Attention!
In order to guarantee full tightness, check the tightness of the suit (→ Section 5.2) after each replacement of the safety high boots before the cap tube is fitted over the shaft of the boot.

1. Push safety high boot into the suit leg that was turned inside out.
2. Align suit leg and boot.
3. Insert tube piece in the boot shaft.
4. Fit the screw and nut clamp on.
5. Turn clamp lock towards the rear.
6. Fit clamp protector under clamp.
7. Tighten screw and nut clamp with SW7, tightening torque: 500 ±30 Ncm.
8. Clamp protection must cover the clamp lock.
9. Push safety high boot to the outside.
10. After tightness test, fit cap tube over shaft of boot.

6. Transport and Storage

Attention!
When storing the protective suit on vehicles or containers abrasion through permanent friction with the contact surface has to be avoided.

Attention!
In order to prevent damage to the protective suit, the material, seams, and zip must not be forcibly kinked or folded!
The zip should remain closed during storage.
The suit can, for example, be loosely folded as a large package.

The protective suit is supplied folded and pressure-free. Storage must be in a loosely folded pack in clean and dry conditions in a normal atmosphere free from toxic substances, protected from direct sunlight and temperature changes (according to DIN 7716 and ISO 2230).

The operational life can change as a result of environmental influences, such as UV light, heat, humidity. The storage room must be cool, dry, dust-free and well ventilated.

The storage temperature is between -5 °C and +25 °C. The optimum storage temperature is between +15°C and +25°C, since in the long-term there could otherwise be a change in the physical properties or a shortening of the service life.

The relative air humidity is best at under 65%.
## 7. Technical Data / Approvals

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- I M1
- II 1G IIC T6 -40 °C ≤ Ta ≤ +60 °C
- II 1D

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7.2. General Characteristics of the Protective Suit

Weight of the complete protective suit, excluding breathing apparatus and full face mask. approx. 8.5 kg

Size M
Size L
Size XL

Inner gloves Size 9, 10 and 11

Safety high boot
Size 9 (43/44)
Size 10 (45)
Size 11½ (46/47)

Operating temperature -30°C to +60°C

Storage temperature -5 °C to +25 °C, optimal +15 °C to +25 °C

Life span (with appropriate maintenance and storage and without emergency use) at least 10 years

7.3. Mechanical Characteristics of the Suit Material

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<td>Blocking behaviour according to ISO 5978</td>
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<td>Seam resistance to EN ISO 13935-2</td>
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7.4. Chemical Characteristics of the Suit Material

Resistance to permeation of chemicals.

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<th>Suit Material</th>
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* Note: Not suitable for use with these chemicals under continuous exposure.

Manufacturer recommendation: using in accordance with the scope of delivery with over glove results in class 2 of the glove components for both chemicals after tests. Without impairing the tightness with regard to the tested chemicals it can lead to material changes depending on the operating conditions.

The evaluation of the retention behaviour is classified as follows in accordance with the European standard EN 369:

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<td>&gt; 60 min</td>
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<td>&gt; 10 min</td>
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8. Ordering Information

Order Code for Protective Suit

The order no. for the protective suit consists of A_Vautex Elite ET and an 8-digit code from A-H.

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<th>Code</th>
<th>Protective suit torso size</th>
<th>Lens</th>
<th>Safety high boots size</th>
<th>Inner glove size</th>
<th>Radio holder size</th>
<th>Suspenders</th>
<th>Marking Numbers size</th>
<th>External air feed</th>
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<td>M</td>
<td>Standard</td>
<td>UK 9 D 43/44</td>
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<td>100 mm</td>
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The marking of the protective suit can be attached to the suit. A specific surface is to be provided for this, see Fig. 2 (not possible in connection with the trainer suit).

MSA offers in its product portfolio a training version of the protective suit. The material and the treatment of the seams of these training suit are not designed for protection against chemicals, but solely for training purposes. The fabric of the training suit is designed to resist abrasion and tearing also at frequent use in training galleries.

The protective suit in the trainer version is not part of the supply of the EC prototype test.

Please contact the MSA Customer Service for detailed information.

Example for the Order No. of a Protective Suit:
- with torso size L (Code: 2)
- with standard lens (Code: 1)
- with safety high boot size D 45 (Code: 2)
- with inner glove size 9 (Code: 1)
- without radio holder (Code: 0)
- with suspenders (Code: 1)
- without marking on the protective suit (Code: 0)
- without external air feed (Code: 0)

The above would result in the following article number:

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<td>Replacement gloves, outer size 9</td>
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