

Flight, Safety, Special Purpose, Shipboard Clothing & CBRN



The Nation's Combat Logistics Support Agency

DLA Clothing & Textiles Special Purpose & Chemical Clothing Robert Singley, IST

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Special Purpose Clothing

- Jackets
 - Flyers 36/P & 45P (Sage & Tan) Limited Demand
 - Leather A-2, G-1, SWO (USAF & USN)
 - Leather, Surface Warfare Officer (USN)
 - Cold Weather Shipboard Jacket
- Multi-Climate Protection System (MCPS)
 - Shirts/Drawers (Silk-Wt, Mid-Wt, Heavy-Wt)
 - Overalls, Vest, Jacket Liners



Special Purpose Clothing

- Army Aircrew Combat Uniform (A2CU)
- Otto Fuel Protective Items
- Wildland Firefighting Shirt, Trousers
- Flight Deck Jerseys/ Flight Deck Trousers
- Anti-Flash Hood / Firefighter Hood
- Neck Gaiter
- Advanced Combat Shirt and Advanced Combat Pant



Special Purpose Clothing

- Flyers 27/P (Sage & Tan)
- Improved Combat Vehicle Crewmen (ICVC)
- Utility Green Shipboard / Blue Coverall / Foliage Green
- Navy IFRV Coveralls
- Fuel Handlers Coveralls
- Mechanics Coveralls
- Coverall with Hood & Booties
- Disposable Coverall
- Personal Protective Equipment (Various Items)



Special Purpose Obligations

- Material Obligations
 - FY 20 Actual \$650.2 Million (Mostly COVID related)
 - FY 21 Actual \$191.9 Million
 - FY 22 Actual \$103.4 Million
 - FY 23 Actual \$112.2 Million
- SALES (@ Standard)
 - -FY 20 \$217.2 Million
 - FY 21 to date \$678.1 Million (Majority for COVID PPE)
 - FY 22 \$140.8 Million
 - FY 23 \$ 118.6 Million



Chemical Protective Clothing Product Line Overview

- Overboots, Molded, Lightweight, Chemical/Biological Protective (MALO)
- Gloves Butyl, JB2GU, Glove Inserts
- Toxicological Agent Protective Items (TAP) Inactive except 35mil glove
- Joint Service Lightweight Integrated Suit Technology (JSLIST) –
 Mandatory
- Joint Protective Aircrew Ensemble (JPACE), Lightweight Joint Protective
 Air Crew Ensemble (LJPACE) Male & Female and Repair Kits
- Chemical Protective Helmet Covers Mandatory
- Carrying Bag (for JSLIST) Mandatory
- Neck Dam Mandatory





Chem Product Line Overview

- Items currently procured are for Warfighters only.
- Items subject to International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR).
- DLA two major customers:
- Individual Chemical Equipment Management
 Program (ICEMP). Office provides centralized
 management and funding of U.S. Army chemical individual
 protective equipment.
- Military Service War Reserve Stocks.



Chemical Obligations/Sales

- Material Obligations
 - FY 20 Actual \$33 Million
 - FY 21 Actual \$33.8 Million
 - FY 22 Actual \$42.4 Million
 - FY 23 Actual \$ 25.6 Million

- SALES (@ Standard)
 - FY 20 \$122.6 Million
 - -FY 21 \$46.8 Million
 - -FY 22 \$83.8 Million
 - FY 23 \$54 Million



PRODUCT DEMONSTRATION MODELS (PDMs)

- Product Demonstration Models
 - Product Demonstration Models (PDMs) are required to be submitted through traceable means via the U.S. Postal Service or a Commercial Carrier (Example: FedEx, Airborne, UPS, DHL, Emery). Due to COVID-19, in-person delivery of PDMs by offerors is not authorized. The Tracking Number shall be provided as part of the DIBBS electronic upload proposal submission.
 - PDMs are to be delivered between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. E.S.T., Monday through Friday, except for legal federal holidays as set forth in 5 USC 6103. Packages must be plainly marked ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE CARRIER'S PACKAGE with the solicitation number, date, and time set forth for receipt of offers as indicated in block 9 of the Standard Form 33. Ultimately, it is the offeror's responsibility to ensure that its PDMs are received at the correct location at the correct time. Failure to do so may result in the offeror's proposal being deemed untimely and not considered further for the award per FAR 52.215-1 Instruction to Offerors Competitive Acquisitions.





PRODUCT DEMONSTRATION MODELS (PDMs)

– All PDMs shall be sent to the following address:

DLA Troop Support ATT: BUYERS NAME Building 3-A-4422 700 Robbins Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19111

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Open Solicitations Under Evaluation

- Future solicitations currently being planned. Look at beta.SAM.gov for future details and Market Research Surveys that will help in the development of our Acquisition Strategies.
- 1. Coverall, Shipboard, Green TAD 1/24
- 2. Jersey Flight Deck

Commercial – TAD 3/24

Mandatory - Closes 11/20/23

- 3. LJPACE/JPACE TAD 6/24
- 4. JSLIST -Mandatory; due to close end of Nov.
- 5. Fuel Handlers Coverall -Mandatory; TAD 1/24
- 6. ACP Mandatory; TAD 1/24



Upcoming OpportunitiesSolicitations Yet to be Issued

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- 1. ACS -

Commercial -12/23

Mandatory Solicitation - 12/23

- 2. Shirt, Flame Resistant, Aramid (Yellow Fireman's Shirt) 1/24
- 3. Pant's FR Sage Green Aramid Spruce Type 1 2/24
- 4. Jacket, Flyer's 2/24 (low demand reported by industry minimum)
- 5. MALO Solicitation 4/24
- 6. 27P Coverall 4/24
- 7. A2CU Female, Unisex, Maternity 6/24









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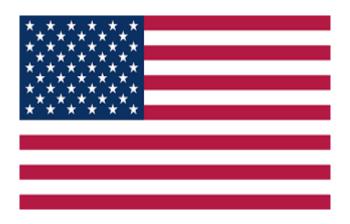
DLA Clothing & Textiles Flight / Safety Jennifer Scarpello IST Chief Safety Gear Team November 16, 2023





DLA C&T Mission

Provide world-class integrated logistics solutions for clothing, individual equipment and textile items to Warfighters and Emergency Responders in peace and in war, around the clock and around the world.







Product Line Overview

- Safety Team Stats
 - Overall manage approx. 900 different items
 - Items include:
 - Flyers Helmets and components (Visors, Chin Straps, ...)
 - Anti-G Garments
 - Anti-Exposure Garments
 - Ballistic Helmets and components (Retention Systems, Pad (Suspension) Systems, Covers)

Sales

- FY 23 \$62.7M
- FY 22 \$66.2M
- FY 21 \$67.7M
- FY 20 \$82.0M





Open Procurements

- Air Solider System (AIR SS) Primary Survival Gear Carrier (PSGC) Vest
- 100% Small Business Solicitation
- Fixed Quantity (1,800 units)
- SPE1C1-24-R-0006 Solicitation Open, Closes on 12/4/23
- POC: Lisa Pizzo







Open Procurements

- Anti-Gravity Suits, CSU-13 B/P & CSU-15 A/P
- Unrestricted Solicitation
- Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) 4-Year Tier
 Contract
- SPE1C1-24-R-0001 Projected Solicitation Open December 2023
- POC: Bob Rounay





Future Procurements

- Cap Set, Helmet (68P)
- 100% Small Business Set-Aside
- IDIQ Five (5) year tier
- Projected solicitation 2Q2024
- POC: Bob Rounay
- Coverall Flyers, CWU 86/P and Coveralls Flyers, CWU-87/P
- Qualified Product List item (QPL)
- Unrestricted Solicitation
- IDIQ Five (5) year tier
- Projected solicitation 2Q2024
- POC: Lisa Pizzo





Future Procurements

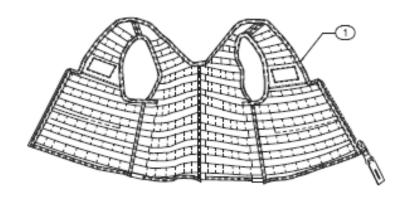
Survival Vest AIRSAVE

- 100% Small Business Set-Aside
- IDIQ Four (4) year tier
- Projected solicitation 3Q2024

*** Market Research to combine all or make separate contracts

7 Components:

- Horizontal Panel
- Expansion Panel (Small & Large)
- General Pocket (Small & Large)
- Radio Pocket
- CRU/JHMCS Attachment
- HMIT Attachment







Future Procurements

- Advanced Technology Anti-G Suit (ATAGs) CSU-23P
- Unrestricted Solicitation
- IDIQ Three (3) year tier
- Projected solicitation 2Q2024
- Item required ESA approval
- ESA Approval/FAT Testing after award
- Connector War Stopper item
- Market Research January/February 2024

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AF Uniform Office Flight Duty Uniform/ Utility Uniform Programs

JAPBI Nov 2023

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Maternity Advanced Aircrew Combat Uniform (A2CU)





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OVERALL DESIGN

- Utilized fabric & design from current A2CU/A2CU-F
 - Known testing & performance results
 - Creates consistency in field
- Designed to accommodate room in belly & hips without creating a large overall appearance
- Safe-to-Fly Flash Flame requirements
 - Cinch bottom hem with bungee cord & barrel lock to avoid chimney effect
 - Tuck extra cording into interior hook & loop pocket to avoid snag hazard

COAT DESIGN

- Princess seaming for shape
- Longer length for growth
- Bungee cord with barrel lock at bottom hem for safety
- All pockets as per A2CU-F except for Microclimate Cooling Garment (MCG) opening, which was removed due to garment real estate

TROUSER DESIGN

- Trouser contains FR stretch belly panel with elastic waistband, which accommodates all stages of pregnancy
- All pockets remain as per A2CU-F except for the side hanging hip pocket closure (A2CU-F has two pieces of hook/loop closure, whereas the Maternity A2CU has one)



Maternity A2CU Design Cont.





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Final House Proto of Maternity A2CU







BELLY PANEL SIDE

BELLY PANEL BACK

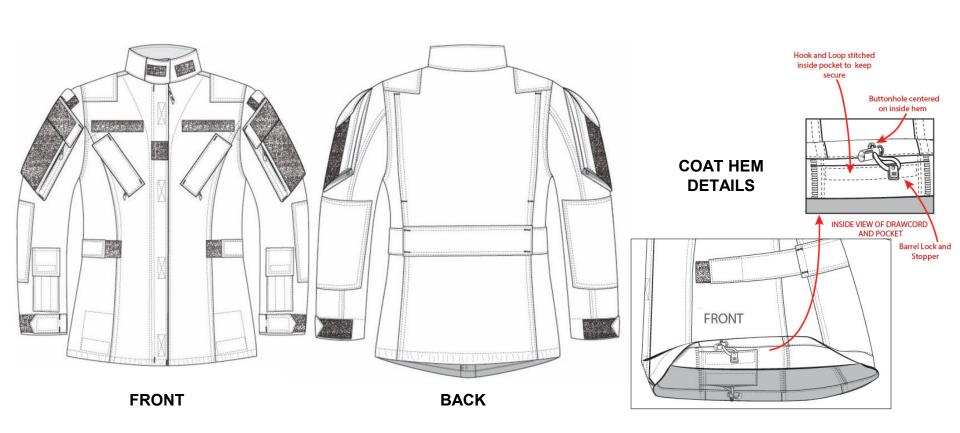


Maternity A2CU Coat Illustrations





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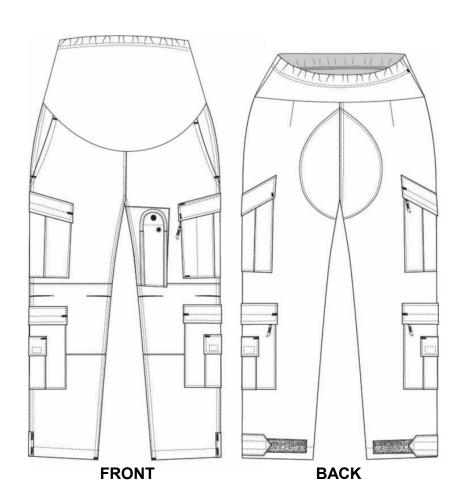


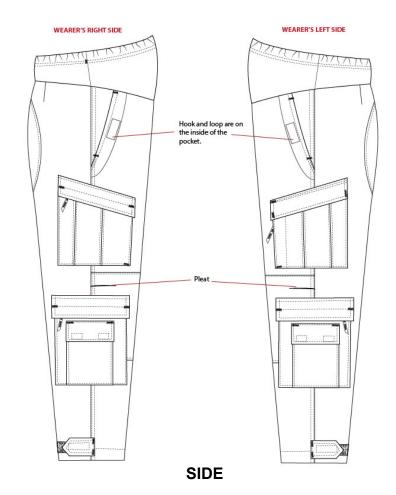
Maternity A2CU Trouser Illustrations





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Way Forward



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Design & Development

- Tactical Hat
- Improved Hot Weather Combat Uniform (IHWCU) fit eval
- Size Standardization Effort with the Sister Services
 - A2CU
 - A2CU-F
 - IHWCU
- Utility material research
 - Updated technology –
 - Comfort properties
 - Durability improvements
 - PFAS Alternatives



Tactical Cap



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Background

- The OCP Tactical Cap is a new item to be issued through DLA and available as an optional item at AAFES.
 - Fit Test completed 26-30 Jun 2023
 - Wear Test completed 31 Aug 2023

Potential Improvements

- Wicking sweatband with No Melt/No Drip
- Elastic stretch between sewn panels
- Odor/Bacteria Control







Questions?



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Improved-Improved Flame-Resistant Coveralls (I2FRV)

NAVSUP Navy Logistics Productivity (NLP) Program

Presented to:

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IMPROVED- IMPROVED FLAME RESISTANT VARIANT (I2FRV)

FY20-23 NAVSUP R&D NAVY LOGISTICS PRODUCTIVITY (NLP) PROGRAM

OBJECTIVE

- To consolidate the requirements of all four (4) shipboard flame resistant (FR) coveralls into one (1) coveralls.
- Small scale assessment of the I2FRV coveralls in relevant shipboard environments to provide recommendations.

SCOPE OF WORK

■ <u>Material</u>: 88/12% FR Cotton/Nylon, 9.5-10.0 oz./yd² Twill

Design: "User driven" coveralls

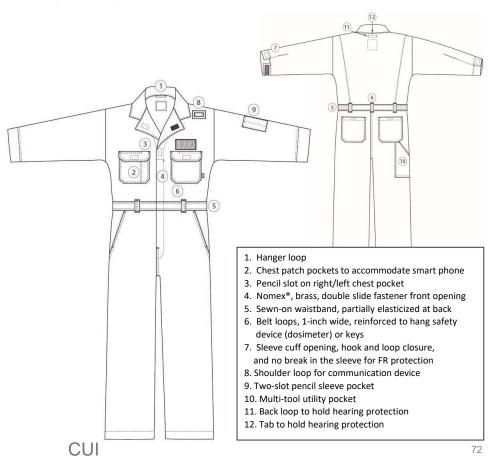
<u>Testing</u>: 90-Day Limited User Evaluation

U.S. Pacific Fleet (3 platforms)

Data Collection: Surveys & focus groups

INTEGRATED PROJECT TEAM (IPT) MEMBERS

NCTRF, NAVSEA, NAVAIR, SURFPAC, SURLANT





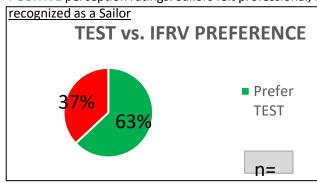
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12FRV WEAR EVALUATION FINDINGS

- I2FRV coveralls were preferred by Sailors serving in engineering and damage control spaces because they were more durable, protective, and functional compared to the current IFRV coveralls
- Test coveralls were preferred for appearance, performance, design, material, and fit

I2FRV COVERALLS:

- PREFERRED TEST coveralls out of the eight (8) coveralls worn by Sailors
- PREFERRED for SHIPBOARD wear over IFRV coveralls
- SUITABLE for their job
- PERFORMED WELL during laundering
- POSITIVE ratings received for all coveralls characteristics
- POSITIVE ratings received for all design features EXCEPT the belt loops
- POSITIVE perception ratings: Sailors felt professional, received positive feedback, and felt





Wear Evaluation, Pearl Harbor, July 2023

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I2FRV WAY AHEAD

Recommend full scale I2FRV wear evaluation with design & material improvements:

<u>Identify resource sponsor to:</u>

- Assess I2FRV coveralls in relevant shipboard environments in the East & West Coasts or OCONUS
- Conduct wear test with implemented design and fit changes
- · Complete biophysical laboratory testing









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SEAMLESS KNITTING: FLIGHT DECK JERSEY VALIDATION

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) & NAVSUP R&D Navy Logistics Productivity (NLP)

Program

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Seamless Knitting - Flight Deck Jersey (FDJ) Validation

FY19-FY23 SBIR Topic N182-124, Phase II OPTION

OBJECTIVE

- To investigate seamless knitting technology capabilities and demonstrate seamless knitting techniques with Flame Resistant and No Melt/No Drip materials into a military protective garment.
- PHASE II: To develop, test, and user-evaluate Flight Deck Jersey (FDJ) seamless knit garments to demonstrate utility of 3D knitting technology

VALUE TO SAILOR

- · Improved comfort, fit, air permeability, moisture wicking, chafing & bulk reduction, FR protection
- Waste reduction, time and money savings for the Government

3D KNITTING APPLICATION

· Cold weather base layers, physical fitness uniform items, sensors garment integration

PROGRAM UPDATE

- · Survey data collection on USS Nimitz CVN-68
- Compared Stoll vs. Shima 3D knitting equipment capabilities
- Development of commercial item description

INTEGRATED PROJECT TEAM MEMBERS

• NCTRF, NAVAIR, Propel LLC



MALE (front): 3D Simulation of FDJ prototypes in 7 colors by Propel LLC, FEB 2022

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3D FDJ Wear Test

SURVEY DEMOGRAPHICS

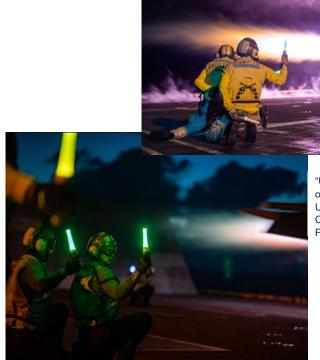
- 90-Day Limited User Evaluation (LUE)
- U.S. 7th Fleet deployment, US Indo-Pacific Command (South China Sea)
- 182 TEST PARTICIPANTS
 - 35 female
 - 147 male
- Issued 125 green and 55 yellow
- Two (2) FDJs per Sailor

INTERIM SURVEY DATA RESPONSES

- 3D FDJ was preferred over cut & sew issued FDJ
- · Minor improvement recommendations to length and collar construction

PATH FORWARD

- · Complete data collection
- Update design (length & collar)
- · Investigate dying options for sustainment of all seven FDJ colors



"USS Nimitz conducts flight operations in South China Sea, US 7th Fleet, US Indo-Pacific Command." Retrieved from Facebook 2FEB23.



Standardization for 3D Knit Patterns

DIGITAL PATTERNS

- New way of digitizing patterns
- Require digital code adjustment or reprograming due to several variables
- Every machine will require a slightly different pattern code

DLA PROCUREMENT

 Vendors may require more time to submit Production Demonstration Models in response to solicitation

YARN DIGITAL PATTERN

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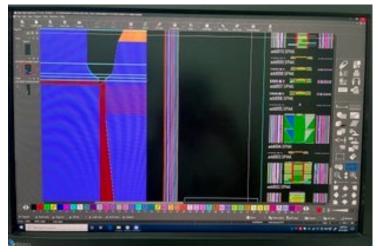
PDMs

BENEFITS

- 3D knitting is the future for the clothing & textile industrial base
- Less manual labor & a more specialized skill set

CURRENT CHALLENGES

- Specialized yarns
- Machine manufacturer support
- Machinery cost & skilled labor (location & education)



Digital pattern view - Shima Seiki software

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