

## Comfortable chemical protective clothing for paint applications

Workers who apply paint need dependable protection against dust, sprays and light liquid splashes. But they also need garments that can stand up to bending, crouching and scuffs from rough surfaces like metal, concrete and wood. Protective garments from DuPont, thanks to the inherent properties of their fabrics, combine protection, comfort, and durability, to safeguard people as well as the sensitive processes in which they are involved.

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Paint can be divided into three major categories:

- solvent-based paints,
- water-based paints and
- powder paints.

Each requires a specific level of protection against the risks users are exposed to when preparing surfaces or when applying the paint.

## **Protection of the wearer**

For many types of painting and finishing work requiring liquid and particulate protection, DuPont recommends the use of DuPont<sup>TM</sup>

Tyvek® protective coveralls, combining protection, comfort and durability that have already proved tremendously popular in the motor industry. This range of Category III chemical protective clothing is especially effective against waterbased and powder paint, given the size of the particulates.

Just as important, garments made with Tyvek® are always soft, lightweight and air-permeable, providing workers with a high level of on-the-job comfort. Their non-restrictive design gives workers a greater range of movement with less binding—no matter how many hours they put in.

Some specific types of paintwork present risks not only when applying the paint, but also when preparing the paint or cleaning tools, using solvent washers. For all potentially

hazardous tasks, DuPont™ Tychem® 6000 F accessories are strongly recommended and effectively complete the high-level protection offered by Tyvek® protective clothing range.

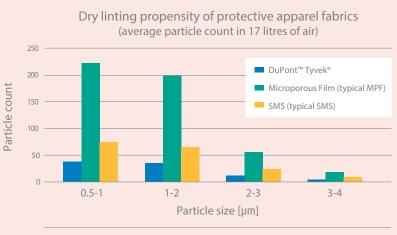
## **Protection of the process**

In some cases, protective clothing must not only protect employees, but also the manufacturing process against human contamination. To avoid additional costs and prevent any quality issues, it is important for the garments used during paint spraying and surface treatment operations not to shed fibres or cause contamination. Tyvek® is highly resistant to abrasion, and its low-linting surface is less likely to affect the final product.

	ProShield <sup>®</sup> garments			Tyvek® garments	Tyvek® garments						
Models	ProShield® 60	Tyvek® 200 EasySafe	Tyvek® 400 Dual	Tyvek® 500 Industry	Tyvek® 500 Xpert	Tyvek® 600 Plus					
Water-based and powder- based paints	<b>√</b>	√	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>					
Solvent-based paints, paint preparation and tool cleaning						<b>√</b> ∗					
Benefits	Best in class microporous film at a highly economical price Good barrier against non-hazardous dry particles down to one micron size but Limited comfort: It is permeable to moisture vapour only and it is not air permeable Limited mechanical resistance Low protection when abraded	Great breathability and optimised protection for less demanding applications  Based on new optimised polyethylene nonwoven fabric  Gofter and with a more open structure but less protective than Tyvek® 500 and Tyvek® 600  Stitched external seams in yellow for visual identification and differentiation  Antistatic treatment (EN 1149-1) on outside	Protection and durability where it's needed, improved breathability  • Tyvek® protection where you need it most  • Large breathable SMS back panel from head to ankle for increased comfort  • External stitched seams for enhanced protection against penetration from the outside to the inside of the garment	Protection for workers, and their products, in sensitive industrial environments  • Helps to protect processes and products against human contamination  • Tyvek® zipper and zipper flap for increased wearer and process protection  • Internal stitched seams for enhanced process protection	Setting a new standard of protection in the Type 5 and 6 category through greater protection and comfort  High liquid and particulate protection  Exceptional design and comfort  Good breathability thanks to air and moisture vapour permeability  Overall ergonomic shape for perfect fit and protection when moving	Combining Type 4 performance with the durability, protection and comfort of a Tyvek® garment  Combines performance of a Type 4 with the comfort of a nonwoven suit  Stitched and overtaped seams, offering equal barrier as fabric  Hood shape and elastic around hood are designed for a tight fit around full face respirator  Tunnelled elastics (cuff, ankles and face help to reduce the risk of contamination					

<sup>\*</sup> Tyvek® is not a barrier to solvents

Material tests carried out by an independent test laboratory in accordance with BS 6909 showed that Tyvek® sheds considerably fewer particles in comparison with other protective garment materials, e.g. SMS (Spunbond/ Meltblown/ Spunbond) used for ProShield® 20 or MPF (Microporous Film) used for ProShield® 60. This can significantly reduce the need for additional polishing work.



Method for generation and counting of the airborne linting propensity of fabrics in the dry state, BS 6909

## Protective clothing and accessories from DuPont for paint application

Choosing the type of protective clothing best suited to the situation therefore depends on a number of factors, including the products handled, the type of paint or surface treatment product, the concentration of the chemicals used and the type of application (projection, spraying, etc.).

Tyvek® 500 accessories				Tychem® 6000 F accessories				
Tyvek® 500 Boot cover	Tyvek <sup>®</sup> 500 Shoe cover	Tyvek® 500 Sleeve	Tyvek® 500 Hood	Tychem® 6000 F Boot cover	Tychem® 6000 F Sleeve	Tychem® 6000 F Apron	Tychem® 6000 F Gown	
✓	✓	✓	✓					
				✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
Specially designed for use with Tyvek® apparel.				Reinforcing Tyvek® protection where it counts.  • robust yet lightweight protection against a broad range of organic and highly concentrated inorganic chemicals and substances.				
Knee-length overboot available in white and in one size     Elasticated top and fixation ties     Stitched internal seams	Shoe cover available in white and in one size (38 cm long)     Elasticated ankle     Stitched internal seams	50 cm long sleeve available in white and in one size     Adjustable arm opening     Stitched internal seams     Upper-arm in bluecoloured thread for identification purposes	Hood with flange and elasticated face and neck     Available in white and in one size	Knee-length overboot with slipretardant sole     Fixation ties     Sole is partially stitched: splash-proof, not fully liquid tight     Available in grey and in one size	50 cm long and with wide elastics at cuffs and upper arm     Available in grey and in one size	Shin-length apron with neck and waist ties     Available in grey and in one size	Shin-length gown with wrap-over rear closure, hook and loop neck closure and waist ties. Elasticated wrists     Available in grey and sizes S/M and L/2XL	



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