## **DEFENDER®M** 5.5 Mesh



## **PROVEN PROTECTION**

The original Defender®M was worn by every U.S. ground troop in Afghanistan and Iraq. Defender®M knits can include a la carte protection options like MicrobeSHIELD™ and StaticSHIELD™.

## LIGHTWEIGHT COMFORT

Lightweight knit fabrics provide greater breathability and comfort.

## **EXCEPTIONAL DURABILITY**

The knit fabric retains its strength, color, size and appearance after harsh use and repeated washings.





TECHNICAL DATA			DEFENDER®M 5.5 MESH
Nominal Weight			5.5 osy (186 gsm)
Construction			Mesh Knit
Color			Solids
Finish			FR Rayon, Aramid, Nylon, Spandex
Flame Resistance			
Vertical Flame ASTM 6413	Initial and 25x after wash	After flame	< 2.0 sec
		After Glow	< 5.0 sec
		Chat length	< 5.0 in (127 mm)
Physical Testing			
Bursting Strength ASTM D3787	Initial		> 35 lbf (155N)
Dimensional Stability AATCC 135	After 5 Cycles		< 7.0 %
Comfort			
Air Permeability ASTM D737			< 240 ft³/ft²/min
Wicking			< 3 in/hr
Appearance (Score 5 Best to 1 Worst)			
Color Fastness	Laundering	Shade Change	Up to 4 *
	Xenon Light Exposure AATCC 16	After 40 hours	Up to 3 *
	Perspiration AATCC 15	Acid	Up to 3-4 *
		Alkaline	Up to 3-4 *
	Crocking AATCC 8	Dry	Up to 4-5 *
		Wet	Up to 4 *
	Pilling ASTM D3512	Initial	Up to 4 *
	A3114 D3317	After 5 cycles	Up to 3 *

<sup>\*</sup> Appearance is dependent on shade of fabric.

Sunlight/UV Exposure Advisory: Prolonged sunlight and UV exposure can be damaging to aramid fibers. Both natural (undyed) and dyed aramid fibers will fade or change color with exposure to sunlight or other UV sources. The thermal performance is not affected, but long term or repeated exposures will cause the fabric to gradually weaken. Garments should be stored so that they are protected from sunlight, including windows and bay doors, to maximize wear life. TenCate Protective Fabrics offers no warranties, implied or otherwise, for color change or fabric damage due to UV exposure.







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