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Which trim would you want on your gear?



Scotchlite Reflective Material

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The performance you need, when you need it the most.

In a fire emergency, we know that the safety and visibility of your firefighters are top priorities. That's why 3M[™] Scotchlite[™] Reflective Material – Series 9500 Fire Coat Trim is designed to provide firefighters with high visibility, but also the durability needed to withstand high heat conditions.

To demonstrate that Scotchlite reflective material – series 9500 fire coat trim is your best choice for added protection and visibility, we tested the heat endurance of our product against another brand of trim, Reflexite® FTP 1500. The test was based on the Heat and Thermal Shrinkage Test of NFPA 1971–2007¹, which states: "Trim shall not melt, separate, drip or ignite when tested for heat and thermal shrinkage at 260°C (500°F) for 5 minutes." Both products do meet the Heat and Thermal Shrinkage requirements of the NFPA standard. **However, after just 2 minutes the Reflexite FTP 1500 turns black and brittle and Scotchlite reflective material – series 9500 fire coat trim maintains its shape, appearance, flexibility, nighttime visibility and durability.**

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Scotchlite reflective material – series 9500 fire coat trim is a premium, high performing, high visibility material used by firefighters worldwide. The trim is used when manufacturing NFPA compliant turnout gear and helps enhance the visibility of firefighters.

First Responders perform a range of duties and are exposed to low visibility hazards while fighting fires, executing search and rescue, conducting EMS operations, and performing emergency scene control. Workers need to be visible and noticeable to other first responders on the ground, as they direct equipment operators and motorists.

Both products meet the heat and thermal shrinkage requirements of the NFPA standard. However, our tests revealed:

After 2 minutes at 260°C (500°F)

3M[™] Scotchlite[™] Reflective Material – Series 9500 Fire Coat Trim:

- Maintained its shape, appearance, flexibility, nighttime visibility and durability
- · Provided exceptional nighttime visibility
- Maintained a brightness measurement of over 500 cd/lux/m²

Reflexite[®] FTP 1500:

- Turned black and brittle
- Deformed and curled
- Brightness was less than 5 cd/lux/m² after 2 minutes

After 3 minutes at 260°C (500°F)

Scotchlite reflective material – series 9500 fire coat trim maintained a brightness measurement of over 500 cd/lux/m².

After 5 minutes at 260°C (500°F)

The brightness of Scotchlite reflective material – series 9500 fire coat trim continued to stay above a 350 cd/lux/m² measurement.

¹Testing conditions based on NFPA 1971-2007 Standard on Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting Section 8.6 Heat and Thermal Shrinkage Resistance Test: 260°C (500°F) for 5 minutes.

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