When In Doubt ... Check It Out

Labels can be deceiving

Products that bear the ballistic panel label stating, “This model of armor has been determined to comply with the NIJ Standard-0101.06 by the NIJ Compliance Testing Program and is listed in the NIJ Compliant Products List,” should be what they are advertised to be. However you won’t really know for sure unless you:

- Look at the model designation identified on the armor’s ballistic panel label
- Check the Compliant Products List (CPL)
- If the model designation is not on the CPL, then the vest is NOT NIJ compliant

Go to http://www.justnet.org/pages/BallisticCPL.aspx to determine that the armor model in question has actually gone through NIJ’s Compliance Testing Program. Buyer beware! Double check all products. The only way to be sure that what you have is the real McCoy is to check the NIJ Compliant Products List. Find it at http://www.justnet.org/pages/BallisticCPL.aspx.

The same applies to information posted on web sites or included in emails that are marketing body armor alleged to be in compliance with the NIJ Standard-0101.06. Reduced price vests can often be an indication that the vests may be surplus with partially expired warranty periods or bear labels removed from compliant vests.

Still have questions? Call 1-800-248-2742.