# **Tychem<sup>®</sup> QC** Lightweight protection from liquid splashes.

When you need more than dry particulate protection, consider Tychem® QC for protection from light liquid splashes and occasional contact with pesticides, inorganic acids, alkalis and acids.

A comfortable, lightweight and durable fabric, Tychem<sup>®</sup> QC utilizes the strength of Tyvek<sup>®</sup> fabric and a polyethylene quality coating, making this one of the more comfortable and protective garments available. DuPont Quality Assurance gives you a consistent "quality coated" fabric.

Tychem<sup>®</sup> QC is used for light splash protection in a variety of industrial environments, including petroleum refining, pulp and paper manufacturing, food processing, chemical processing and pharmaceutical manufacturing.<sup>1</sup>

#### Visibility

When working in hazardous conditions, the color and visibility of protective apparel can greatly affect the overall safety of the worker. Visibility of a color is governed by three principles:

- **1.** Optic sensitivity to the color under bright light (photopic visibility)
- Optic sensitivity to the color under dim lighting (scotopic visibility)
- 3. Contrast of the color against background colors

When workers wear high-visibility colors, it improves how well they are seen and distinguished from the background. Obviously, safety is enhanced when workers can clearly see co-workers. The Tychem® QC yellow color is often a preferred choice because it provides contrast across a wide range of natural backgrounds. In a laboratory study, Tychem® QC received high overall ratings for visibility in dim light, bright light and contrast with natural backgrounds.<sup>2</sup>

#### Durability

Tychem<sup>®</sup> QC consists of a durable Tyvek<sup>®</sup> substrate qualitycoated with polyethylene. Rugged and durable, Tychem<sup>®</sup> QC is a tough barrier fabric that resists punctures and tears. Yet even in cold temperatures, Tychem<sup>®</sup> QC remains flexible compared to competitive fabrics, based on measurements over a wide range of temperatures.<sup>3</sup> Tychem<sup>®</sup> QC is the only polyethylene-coated fabric backed by DuPont quality standards.

#### Permeation

Documentation is available on how Tychem® QC performs against more than 80 chemicals. DuPont makes the only polyethylene-coated fabric for which testing data is provided. This testing data provides detailed information on how well this fabric performs against various chemical classes.<sup>4</sup> Tychem® QC provides excellent resistance against biohazards such as blood, body fluid and viral contaminants, and passes ASTM F1670 for blood penetration and F1671 for viral penetration.

Note: While the uncoated Tyvek® substrate performs well in tests with light splash with low pressure, Tychem® QC passes penetration tests that include high pressures. Pesticides: To determine the appropriate garment for a liquid application, read the EPA Product Registration Label. If the signal word is "CAUTION" or "WARNING" (only one will be listed), Tychem® QC may be the appropriate choice. If the signal word is "DANGER", Tychem® SL may be appropriate.

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Total Basis Weight ASTM D3776-90 Thickness	2.5 oz/yd²	Breaking Strength G (md/cd) ASTM D5034-90	irab 43/49 lbs		
ASTM D1777-75	10 mils	Tearing Strength Trapezoid			
Mullen Burst ASTM D3786-87	65 psi	(md/cd) ASTM D1117-80	7/5 lbs		

Physical Properties of Tychem® OC

CHEMICAL PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

## Tychem<sup>®</sup> QC

Permeation Data for ASTM Recommended List of Chemicals for Evaluating Protective Clothing Materials (ASTM F1001)

CHEMICAL NAME	PHYSICAL PHASE	AVERAGE NORMALIZED BREAKTHROUGH TIME (minutes)	AVERAGE PERMEATION RATE (µg/cm²/minute)	
Acetone	I	immed.	10	INDEX OF CODES:
Acetonitrile	L	immed.	16	<pre>&gt; = greater than, &lt; = less than, L = liquid, G = gas,</pre>
Ammonia	G	immed.	3.1	Immed. = immediate (<10 minutes)
1,3-Butadiene	G	immed.	12	Numbers reported are averages of samples tested by
Carbon disulfide	L	immed.	high	the ASTM F739 test method. Sample results do vary and therefore averages for these results are reported.
Chlorine gas	G	immed.	>50	
Dichloromethane	L	immed.	high	<sup>1</sup> General Garment Specification/Wear Guidelines:
Diethylamine	L	immed.	64	Potential for light splash AND no pressure—Select serged seam construction for <u>small volumes of fluids with minimal</u>
N,N-Dimethylformamide	L	immed.	0.72	<u>or no pressure</u> . Potential for light to moderate splash—Select bound
Ethyl acetate	L	immed.	13	seams that are tightly sewn and have a reinforced outer
Ethylene oxide	G	immed.	167	binding to enhance seam strength and barrier quality. Potential for moderate to heavy splash—Select sewn and
n-Hexane	L	immed.	high	taped seams that offer higher strength and penetration resistance. All apparel used in liquid applications should
Hydrogen chloride	G	immed.	9.3	have bound or sealed seams. A storm flap that covers zipper/closure area should also be considered. In the event
Methanol	L	immed.	2.2	of a splash or drench, the contaminated garment should be
Methyl chloride	G	immed.	0.23	removed and clean apparel donned. <sup>2</sup> ASTM E 308-95—"Standard Practice for Computing Colors
Nitrobenzene	L	immed.	18	of Objects by Using the CEI System".
Sodium hydroxide, 50%	L	>480	<0.1	<sup>a</sup> ASTM D747—"Apparent Bending Modulus of Plastic by Means of a Cantilever Beam".
Sulfuric acid (conc.)	L	>480	<0.1	DuPont Publication—"Permeation Guide for DuPont
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethylene	L	immed.	high	Tychem® & DuPont StaSafe® Protective Fabrics".
Tetrahydrofuran	L	immed.	183	
Toluene	L	immed.	50.3	

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#### WARNINGS:

 Tychem® QC is not flame-resistant and should not be used around heat, flame, sparks, or in potentially flammable or explosive environments.
Garments made of Tychem® QC should have slip-resistant or antislip materials on the outer surface of boots, shoe covers or other garment surfaces in conditions where slipping could occur.

#### For more information:

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# **DuPont Tychem**<sup>®</sup> **Protective Apparel**

A wide variety of dependable protection from encapsulated suits to coveralls.





COVERALL collar front zipper closure bound seams



COVERALL collar elastic wrists, elastic ankles front zipper closure bound seams





collar elastic wrists, elastic ankles front zipper closure storm flap over zipper Thermo Bond seams



LABCOAT collar snap front sewn seams



35122

COVERALL attached hood (elastic face) elastic wrists front zipper closure attached boots\* sewn seams



35303

SHIRT collar snap front long sleeve sewn seams

Tychem® QC is also available in gray for special orders. Minimum quantity requirements may be applicable.



63122

COVERALL attached hood (elastic closure) elastic wrists front zipper closure, storm flap over zipper attached boots\* Thermo Bond seams



COVERALL attached hood (elastic face)

elastic wrists elastic ankles front zipper closure storm flap over zipper Thermo Bond seams



37500

SLEEVE elastic tops elastic wrists 18" long



37133

FULLY ENCAPSULATED/LEVEL B

standard faceshield (20 mil PVC)

flat back

expanded respirator fit hood

rear entry

zipper closure, storm flap over zipper

elastic wrist

bound seams one exhaust vent over-boots

35440

SHOE COVER low elastic top sewn seams (intended to be worn over your own shoes)



35444

BOOT COVER elastic top 17" high sewn seams (intended to be worn over your own boots)



37444

#### BOOT COVER elastic top

elastic top 17" high bound seams (intended to be worn over your own boots)

\*Attached boots should be worn inside your own shoes or boots.



COVERALL attached hood (elastic face-respirator fit) elastic wrists front zipper closure attached boots\* sewn seams



PANTS elastic waist sewn seams



35127

attached hood (elastic face) elastic wrists, elastic ankles front zipper closure sewn seams



bib style



37122

COVERALL

attached hood (elastic face)

elastic wrists

front zipper closure

attached boots\*

bound seams

37472

APRON

attached sleeve

elastic wrist

bound neck & ties 26"x 52"

bound seams

COVERALL

APRON bound neck & ties 28" x 36"





37124

COVERALL attached hood (elastic face-respirator fit) elastic wrists front zipper closure attached boots\* bound seams



37127

COVERALL attached hood (elastic face) elastic wrists, elastic ankles front zipper closure bound seams



37386

35386

HOOD pullover elastic face shoulder length sewn seams

HOOD pullover elastic face shoulder length bound seams

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Permeation Information on Common Industrial Chemicals

CHEMICAL NAME	PHYSICAL STATE	CAS #	AVERAGE NORMALIZED BREAKTHROUGH TIME <sup>14</sup>
Acrylonitrile	L	107-13-1	382
Black liquor	L	123465-36-1	>480
Chlorine gas, 20 ppm	G	7782-50-5	>480
Chromic acid, 60%	L	1333-82-0	>480
Ethylene glycol	L	107-21-1	>480
Green liquor	L	68131-30-6	>480
Hydrofluoric acid, 48%	L	7664-39-3	>480
Hydrogen peroxide, 70%	L	7722-84-1	>480
Lithium chloride, 20%	L	7447-41-8	>480
Lithium hydroxide, 20%	L	1310-65-2	>480
Nitric acid, 70%	L	7697-37-2	410
Oleum, 40% free SO <sub>3</sub>	L	8014-95-7	398
Sodium hydroxide, 50%	L	1310-73-2	>480
Sodium hypochlorite, 17%	L	7681-52-9	>480
Sulfuric acid	L	7664-93-9	>480
White liquor	L	68131-33-9	>480

L = liquid, G = gas, > = greater than <sup>1A</sup> Normalized Breakthrough Time shown in minutes