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PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Introduction

The Request for Standing Offers (RFSO) is divided into seven parts plus attachments and annexes, as follows:

Part 1 General Information: provides a general description of the requirement;

Part 2 Offeror Instructions: provides the instructions applicable to the clauses and conditions of the RFSO;

Part 3 Offer Preparation Instructions: provides Offerors with instructions on how to prepare their offer to address the evaluation criteria specified;

Part 4 Evaluation Procedures and Basis of Selection: indicates how the evaluation will be conducted, the evaluation criteria which must be addressed in the offer, and the basis of selection;

Part 5 Certifications and Additional Information: includes the certifications and additional information to be provided; and

Part 6 6A, Standing Offer, and 6B, Resulting Contract Clauses:

6A, includes the Standing Offer containing the offer from the Offeror and the applicable clauses and conditions;

6B, includes the clauses and conditions which will apply to any contract resulting from a call-up made pursuant to the Standing Offer.

The Annexes include the Statement of Requirement, Technical Requirements, Quarterly Report Template and the Electronic Payment Instruments.

1.2 Summary

1.2.1 Rifle Plate Carriers for RCMP officers for a 12-month period with the possibility of three 12-month extension periods, for delivery points as detailed in each Call-Up document.

1.2.2 The requirement is subject to the provisions of the Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA).

1.2.3 The requirement is subject to a preference for Canadian goods and/or services

1.3 Debriefings

Offerors may request a debriefing on the results of the request for standing offers process. Offerors should make the request to the Standing Offer Authority within 15 working days of receipt of the results of the request for standing offers process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

PART 2 - OFFEROR INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the Request for Standing Offers (RFSO) by number, date and title are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Offerors who submit an offer agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the RFSO and accept the clauses and conditions of the Standing Offer and resulting contract(s).

The 2006 (2017/04/27) - Standard Instructions - Request for Standing Offers - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the RFSO.

Subsection 5.4 of 2006, Standard Instructions - Request for Standing Offers - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, is amended as follows:

Delete: 60 days
Insert: 180 days

2.2 Submission of Offers

Offers must be submitted only to Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) Bid Receiving Unit by the date, time and place indicated on page 1 of the Request for Standing Offers.

2.3 Enquiries - Request for Standing Offers

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Standing Offer Authority no later than seven (7) calendar days before the Request for Standing Offers (RFSO) closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Offerors should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the RFSO to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by Offerors to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the question(s) or may request that Offerors do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question(s) is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered to all Offerors. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all Offerors may not be answered by Canada.

2.4 Applicable Laws

The Standing Offer and any contract resulting from the Standing Offer must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

Offerors may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their offer, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the Offerors.

2.5 Viewing Sample(s)

Viewing sample(s) may be viewed (by appointment only) at the following offices:

Public Works & Government Services Canada

Supply Directorate
6th floor
1550 ave D'Estimauville
Quebec, Que. G1J 0C7
TEL: 418-649-2714
FAX: 418-648-2209
Attention: Micheline Naud
(micheline.naud@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

Public Works & Government Services Canada

Place Bonaventure, South-East Portal
800 de La Gauchetière Street West
7th Floor
Montreal, Quebec H5A 1L6
TEL: 514-496-3404
FAX: 514-496-3822
Attention: Debbie Brault
TPSGC.RQReceptionSoumissions-QRSupplyTendersReception.PWGCSC@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca

Public Works & Government Services Canada

Suite 480, 33 City Centre Drive
Mississauga, Ont. L5B 2N5
TEL: 905-615-2070
FAX 905-615-2023
Attention: Rosy Gupta
(rosy.gupta@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

Public Works & Government Services Canada

Suite 100, 167 Lombard Avenue
P.O. Box 1408
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 2Z1
TEL: 204-983-3774
FAX: 204-983-7796
Attention: Bev Laurin (bev.laurin@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

Public Works & Government Services Canada

Telus Plaza North
10025 Jasper Avenue, 5th Floor
Edmonton, AB T5J 1S6
TEL: (587) 337-7816
FAX: (780) 497-3510
Attention: Jayeeta Das (wst-pa-edm@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

Public Works & Government Services Canada

Pacific Region, SOSB, Industrial & Commercial Products
219 - 800 Burrard Street
Vancouver, B.C V6Z 0B9
Attention: Chris Huchzermeyer
TEL. : 604-365-2956
(chris.huchzermeyer@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)
OR
Attention: Betty Chan
TEL. : 604-658-2799
(betty.chan@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

2.6 Specifications and Standards

2.6.1 Canadian General Standards Board (CGSB) - Standards

A copy of the CGSB Standards referred to in the offer solicitation is available and may be purchased from:

Canadian General Standards Board
Place du Portage III, 6B1

11 Laurier Street
Gatineau, Québec
Telephone: (819) 956-0425 or 1-800-665-CGSB (Canada only)
Fax: (819) 956-5740
E-mail: ncr.cgsb-ongc@pwgsc-tpsgc.gc.ca
CGSB Website: <http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ongc-cgsb/index-eng.html>

PART 3 - OFFER PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

3.1. Offer Preparation Instructions

Canada requests that Offerors provide their offer in separately bound sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Offer (3 hard copies)
Section II: Financial Offer (1 hard copies)
Section III: Certifications (1 hard copy)

Prices must appear in the financial offer only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the offer.

Canada requests that Offerors follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of their offer.

- (a) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper;
- (b) use a numbering system that corresponds to that of the Request for Standing Offers.

In April 2006, Canada issued a policy directing federal departments and agencies to take the necessary steps to incorporate environmental considerations into the procurement process Policy on Green Procurement (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ecologisation-greening/achats-procurement/politique-policy-eng.html>). To assist Canada in reaching its objectives, Offerors should:

- 1) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper containing fibre certified as originating from a sustainably-managed forest and containing minimum 30% recycled content; and
- 2) use an environmentally-preferable format including black and white printing instead of colour printing, printing double sided/duplex, using staples or clips instead of cerlox, duo-tangs or binders.
- 3) Green Initiatives (for PWGSC information only)
Offerors are requested to provide details of their policies and practices in relation to the following initiatives:
 - environmentally responsible manufacturing;
 - environmentally responsible waste disposal;
 - waste reduction;
 - packaging;
 - re-use strategies;
 - recycling.

Section I: Technical Offer

In their technical offer, Offerors should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work (reference pre-award sample, Part 4, Evaluation Procedures, 4.1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria).

Section II: Financial Offer

Offerors must submit their financial offer in accordance with Annex "A".

3.1.1 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Offer

RCMP will issue payment via direct deposit or payment by cheque only.

3.1.2 Exchange Rate Fluctuation

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Section III: Certifications

Offerors must submit the certifications and additional information required under Part 5.

3.1.3 Origin of Work

For each line item, offerors must identify the name(s) of the country or countries where the apparel goods are cut (or knit to shape) and sewn, regardless of whether the work is to be performed by the Offeror or one of its subcontractor(s).

The following information must be provided for each location where any of the goods are cut (or knit to shape) or sewn:

Line Item number _____

Country: _____

(Offerors must add additional lines if there is more than one manufacturer or one country per line item.)

Offerors must immediately inform Canada in writing of any and all changes affecting the information provided under this clause during the entire offer validity period.

PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

4.1 Evaluation Procedures

- (a) Offers will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the Request for Standing Offers including the technical and financial evaluation criteria.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the offers.
- (c) The evaluation team will determine first if there are two or more bids with a valid Canadian Content certification. In that event, the evaluation process will be limited to the bids with the certification; otherwise, all bids will be evaluated. If some of the bids with a

valid certification are declared non-responsive, or are withdrawn, and less than two responsive bids with a valid certification remain, the evaluation will continue among those bids with a valid certification. If all bids with a valid certification are subsequently declared non-responsive, or are withdrawn, then all the other bids received will be evaluated.

4.1.1 Technical Evaluation

4.1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria

As part of the technical evaluation, to confirm an Offeror's capability of meeting the technical requirements, one (1) pre-award sample of the item below and in accordance with G.S.1045-350, dated 2017-03-14 along with certificate(s) of compliance, will be required from low offerors after the Request For Standing Offer closing date and upon a written request from PWGSC.

A) PRE-AWARD SAMPLE(S)

| ITEM | SIZE | STOCK # |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|
| Carrier, Plate, Rifle | One Size | 122032 |

The Offeror must ensure that the required pre-award sample is manufactured in accordance with the technical requirement and is fully representative of the offer submitted. Rejection of the pre-award sample will result in the offer being declared non-responsive.

The Pre-Award Sample(s) will be evaluated for quality of workmanship and conformance to specified materials and measurements. Minor observations will not be a reason to reject the Pre-Award Sample(s) unless, in the opinion of the technical evaluator, they are considered to render the items unserviceable. However, only one deviation will result in the offer being declared non-responsive.

SPECIFICATION WAIVER/SUBSTITUTION(S):

Component Waiver(s)/Substitution(s):

- i. Paragraph 4.1.1, the shell material may be black or other dark colour.

A.1 Viewing Sample

RCMP viewing samples will be provided to offerors who are requested to provide pre-award samples and are to be used for guidance for all factors not covered by the RCMP specification. The RCMP specification shall govern. The viewing samples are the property of the RCMP.

The viewing sample is not to be damaged or cut, but returned in the same condition as sent to the Offeror. The viewing sample should be returned to PWGSC with the pre-award samples. If the viewing sample is not returned with the pre-award sample(s), the Offeror will have fourteen (14) calendar days upon written notice from the Contracting Authority to return the viewing sample. Failure to return the viewing sample within that timeframe will result in the offer being declared non-responsive. If the Offeror elects not to submit a pre-award sample(s), the viewing sample must be returned to the RCMP within seven (7) calendar day of the written request from the Standing Offer Authority. Lost or damaged viewing samples must be reimbursed to the RCMP for the cost of an acceptable replacement.

B) CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE

The certificates of compliance (as defined hereunder) are required with the pre-award samples. The Certificate of compliance must be dated within 18 months of the solicitation posting date. The following Certificates are required:

The certificates of compliance must be dated within 18 months of the solicitation posting date.

- a. Para. 4.1.1, Shell Material, Table I
- b. Para. 4.1.2, Lining Material
- c. Para. 4.1.3, Hook & Loop
- d. Para. 4.1.4, Elastic
- e. Para. 4.1.5.1 & 4.1.5.2, Nylon webbing
- f. Para. 4.1.6.1, 4.1.6.2 & 4.1.6.3, Buckles and hardware
- g. Para. 4.1.7, Thread
- h. Para. 4.1.10, Neoprene padding

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE – DEFINITION

i) A Certificate of Compliance is defined, for this document, as a signed and dated certification to confirm that a specified component or requirement adheres to the specification. The certification must be prepared, signed and dated by an official representative of the component manufacturer using company letterhead making reference to the specification number and paragraph number. It must specifically address the component or requirement and compliance can be shown by referring to a part number, by providing the component values, by providing a manufacturing data sheet to show technical compliance or by a description stating compliance to the requirement. In-house testing is acceptable to show compliance. Copying the specification word for word is not acceptable.

ii) A separate certificate of compliance is required for each individual component or requirement. Multiple components supplied by the same component manufacturer may be submitted on one certificate of compliance as long as the paragraph numbers and components are clearly identified. With this document, the offeror certifies that the product for which the certificate of compliance is issued is the same product used in the offer submission, or in the pre-award samples or in the pre-production samples, or in the production units as applicable.

iii) The Offeror is to note that copies of invoices, purchase orders, packing slips and certificates of compliance for products or components that are not manufactured by the certifier are not suitable for use as a certificate of compliance.

iv) Original Version: The RCMP reserves the right to request the original version of any Certificate of Compliance provided by the Offeror. The Offeror will have three (3) calendar days upon written notice from the Standing Offer Authority to provide the original Certificate(s) of Compliance. Failure to provide the original Certificate(s) of Compliance within that timeframe may result in the offer being declared non-responsive.

C) SUBMISSION OF PRE-AWARD SAMPLE AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- i) The Offeror will be advised when the pre-award sample and certificates of compliance are required.
- ii) The Offeror must deliver the required pre-award sample and certificate(s) of compliance at no charge to Canada and must ensure that it is received within 28 calendar days from request.

- iii) Failure to submit the required pre-award sample and/or certificate(s) of compliance within the specified time frame will result in the offer being declared non-responsive. The sample and certificate(s) of compliance submitted by the Offeror will remain the property of Canada.
- iv) Rejection of the pre-award sample or certificates of compliance will result in the offer being declared non-responsive.
- v) The requirement for pre-award samples and certificates of compliance will not relieve the successful offeror from submitting samples and/or certificates of compliance as required by the Standing Offer terms or from strictly adhering to the technical requirement of this Request for Standing Offer and any resultant contract.

D) WAIVER

The requirement for a pre-award sample and certificate(s) of compliance may be waived if the Offeror has supplied the item(s) within the past three (3) years in accordance with the latest specification.

Please specify:

- Item supplied: _____
- Your previous Contract/Standing Offer number: _____

If the above has been met, the Offeror represents and warrants that no significant changes have occurred in their manufacturing processes nor their organization or their sub-contractors' organization since the last award or pre-award qualification that could affect the manufacturing of the referenced item.

The Offeror must submit the pre-award sample and certificate(s) of compliance if a waiver is not given.

4.1.2 Financial Evaluation

4.1.2.1 Mandatory Financial Criteria

The Offeror must submit firm unit prices in Canadian dollars, applicable taxes excluded, DDP Incoterms 2000, transportation costs included, all applicable Customs Duties and Excise taxes included.

4.2 Basis of Selection

An offer must comply with all requirements of the RFSO and meet all mandatory technical and financial evaluation criteria to be declared responsive.

The responsive offer with the lowest responsive aggregate price will be recommended for the issuance of a standing offer (1 standing offer only). Ranking will be established using the estimated quantities) for the all items, including extension periods.

PART 5 – CERTIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Offerors must provide the required certifications and additional information to be issued a standing offer.

The certifications provided by Offerors to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Unless specified otherwise, Canada will declare an offer non-responsive, will have the right to set-aside a standing

offer, or will declare a contractor in default if any certification made by the Offeror is found to be untrue whether made knowingly or unknowingly during the offer evaluation period, during the Standing Offer period, or during the contract period.

The Standing Offer Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Offeror's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Standing Offer Authority will render the offer non-responsive, result in the setting aside of the Standing Offer or constitute a default under the Contract.

5.1 Certifications Required with the Offer

Offerors must submit the following duly completed certifications as part of their offer.

5.1.1 Integrity Provisions - Declaration of Convicted Offences

In accordance with the Integrity Provisions of the Standard Instructions, all offerors must provide with their offer, **if applicable**, the declaration form available on the Forms for the Integrity Regime website (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/declaration-eng.html>), to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

5.2 Certifications Precedent to the Issuance of a Standing Offer and Additional Information

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the offer, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information is not completed and submitted as requested, the Standing Offer Authority will inform the Offeror of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide the certifications or the additional information listed below within the time frame provided will render the offer non-responsive.

5.2.1 Integrity Provisions – Required Documentation

In accordance with the section titled Information to be provided when bidding, contracting or entering into a real procurement agreement of the Ineligibility and Suspension Policy (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html>), the Offeror must provide the required documentation, as applicable, to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

5.2.2 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Standing Offer Certification

By submitting an offer, the Offeror certifies that the Offeror, and any of the Offeror's members if the Offeror is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list) available at the bottom of the page of the Employment and Social Development Canada-Labour's website (<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/employment-equity/federal-contractor-program.html#s4>).

Canada will have the right to declare an offer non-responsive, or to set-aside a Standing Offer, if the Offeror, or any member of the Offeror if the Offeror is a Joint Venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list at the time of issuing of a Standing Offer or during the period of the Standing Offer.

5.2.3 Additional Certifications Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer

5.2.3.1 Sample and Production Certification

The Offeror certifies that:

() The manufacturer that produced the pre-award sample(s) will remain unchanged for the Pre-Production Sample(s), Production Sample(s) and full production of the firm quantity under

any resulting call-up issued during the initial Standing Offer period or the extended Standing Offer period, if authorized.

() The components that are used in the pre-production sample(s) will remain unchanged for the full production of the firm quantity under any resulting call-up issued during the initial Standing Offer period or the extended Standing Offer period, if authorized.

5.2.3.2 SACC Manual clause M3061T (2010-01-11) Canadian Content Definition

a) Rules of Origin - Apparel

With reference to the Canadian Content Certification clause, apparel goods are considered to be Canadian goods according to the North American Free Trade Agreement Rules of Origin as follows:

Apparel goods classified in Chapters 61 and 62 of the Harmonized System that are both cut (or knit to shape) and sewn in Canada will be considered Canadian goods.

b) Canadian Content Certification

This procurement is conditionally limited to Canadian goods.

Subject to the evaluation procedures contained in the request for standing offers, offerors acknowledge that only offers with a certification that the good(s) offered are Canadian goods, as defined in clause A3050T, may be considered.

The Offeror certifies that:

() the good(s) offered are Canadian goods as defined in paragraph 1 of clause A3050T.

PART 6 - STANDING OFFER AND RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

A. STANDING OFFER

6.1 Offer

6.1.1 The Offeror offers to fulfill the requirement in accordance with the Requirement at Annex "A".

6.2 Security Requirements

6.2.1 There is no security requirement applicable to the Standing Offer.

6.3 Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Standing Offer and resulting contract(s) by number, date and title are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

6.3.1 General Conditions

2005 (2017/06/21) General Conditions - Standing Offers - Goods or Services, apply to and form part of the Standing Offer.

6.3.2 Standing Offers Reporting

The Offeror must compile and maintain records on its provision of goods, services or both to the federal government under contracts resulting from the Standing Offer. This data must include all purchases ordered, including purchases paid for by a Government of Canada Acquisition Card.

The Offeror must provide an electronic version of this data in accordance with the reporting requirements detailed in Annex "B". If some data is not available, the reason must be indicated. If no goods or services are provided during a given period, the Offeror must still provide a "nil" report.

The data must be submitted on a quarterly basis to the Standing Offer Authority.

The quarterly reporting periods are defined as follows:

1st quarter: April 1, to June 30;
2nd quarter: July 1 to September 30;
3rd quarter: October 1 to December 31;
4th quarter: January 1 to March 31.

The data must be submitted to the Standing Offer Authority no later than 15 calendar days after the end of the reporting period.

6.4 Term of Standing Offer

6.4.1 Period of the Standing Offer

The period for making call-ups against the Standing Offer is for one year from the date of issuance of the Standing Offer.

6.4.2 Extension of Standing Offer

If the Standing Offer is authorized for use beyond the initial period, the Offeror offers to extend its offer for up to three additional 12-month periods, under the same conditions and at the rates or prices specified in the Standing Offer, or at the rates or prices calculated in accordance with the formula specified in the Standing Offer.

The Offeror will be advised of the decision to authorize the use of the Standing Offer for an extended period by the Standing Offer Authority before the expiry date of the Standing Offer. A revision to the Standing Offer will be issued by the Standing Offer Authority.

6.5 Authorities

6.5.1 Standing Offer Authority

The Standing Offer Authority is:

Rob Picco
Public Works and Government Services Canada
Acquisitions Branch
Commercial and Consumer Products Directorate (CCPD)
Clothing & Textiles Division
Place du Portage, Phase III, 6A2

11 Laurier Street
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0S5

Telephone: 613-410-1348 Facsimile: 819-956-5454
E-mail address: robert.picco@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca

The Standing Offer Authority is responsible for the establishment of the Standing Offer, its administration and its revision, if applicable. Upon the making of a call-up, as Standing offer authority, he is responsible for any contractual issues relating to individual call-ups made against the Standing Offer by any Identified User.

6.5.2 The Technical Authority for this Contract is:

RCMP - Uniform & Equipment Program
Design and Technical Authority Section
440 Coventry Road (Warehouse Bldg.)
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0R2

The Technical Authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Standing Offer and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Standing Offer. Technical matters may be discussed with the Technical Authority, however the Technical Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a Standing Offer Revision issued by the Standing Offer Authority.

6.5.3 Offeror's Representative

The person responsible for:

General enquiries

Name: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Facsimile Number: _____
E-mail address: _____

Delivery follow-up

Name: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Facsimile Number: _____
E-mail address: _____

6.6 Identified Users

The Identified User authorized to make call-ups against the Standing Offer is: Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP).

6.7 Call-up Instrument

The Work will be authorized or confirmed by Identified User(s) using the duly completed forms as identified in paragraphs 1 and 2 below.

1. Call-ups must be made by Identified Users' authorized representatives under the Standing Offer and must be for goods or services or combination of goods and services included in the Standing Offer at the prices and in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the Standing Offer.
2. Any of the following forms could be used which are available through PWGSC Forms Catalogue website:
 - PWGSC-TPSGC 942 Call-up Against a Standing Offer

6.8 Limitation of Call-ups

Individual call-ups against the Standing Offer must not exceed \$400,000.00 (Applicable Taxes included).

6.9 Financial Limitation

The total cost to Canada resulting from call-ups against the Standing Offer must not exceed the sum of \$463,300.00 (Applicable Taxes excluded) unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Standing Offer Authority. The Offeror must not perform any work or services or supply any articles in response to call-ups which would cause the total cost to Canada to exceed the said sum, unless an increase is so authorized.

The Offeror must notify the Standing Offer Authority as to the adequacy of this sum when 75 percent of this amount has been committed, or 3 months before the expiry date of the Standing Offer, whichever comes first. However, if at any time, the Offeror considers that the said sum may be exceeded, the Offeror must promptly notify the Standing Offer Authority.

6.10 Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wordings of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- a) the call up against the Standing Offer, including any annexes;
- b) the articles of the Standing Offer;
- c) the general conditions 2005 (2017/06/21), General Conditions - Standing Offers - Goods or Services;
- d) the general conditions 2030 (2016/04/04), General Conditions – Higher Complexity – Goods
- e) Annex "A" - Statement of Requirement;
- f) Specification G.S. 1045-350 dated 2017-03-14;
- g) Viewing sample;
- h) the Offeror's offer dated _____ (insert date of offer).

6.11 Certifications and Additional Information

6.11.1 Compliance

Unless specified otherwise, the continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Offeror with its offer or precedent to issuance of the Standing Offer (SO), and the ongoing cooperation in providing additional information are conditions of issuance of the SO and failure to comply will constitute the Offeror in default. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada

during the entire period of the SO and of any resulting contract that would continue beyond the period of the SO.

6.11.2 SACC Manual Clauses

M3060C 2008/05/12 Canadian Content Certification

6.12 Applicable Laws

The Standing Offer and any contract resulting from the Standing Offer must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

6.13 Plant Closing

The Offeror's plant closing for Christmas and summer holidays are as follows. During this time there will be no shipments.

2018

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|----------|
| Summer Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |
| Christmas Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |

2019

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|----------|
| Summer Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |
| Christmas Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |

2020

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|----------|
| Summer Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |
| Christmas Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |

2021

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|----------|
| Summer Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |
| Christmas Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |

2022

| | | |
|----------------|------------|----------|
| Summer Holiday | FROM _____ | TO _____ |
|----------------|------------|----------|

6.14 Plant Location

Items will be manufactured at: _____

6.15 Origin of Work - Disclosure of Information

1. For each line item, the Offeror must specify the name(s) of all countries where the apparel goods are cut (or knit to shape) or sewn, regardless of whether the work is to be performed by the Offeror or one of its subcontractor(s).
2. The Offeror agrees that Canada may publicly disclose the information provided with respect the countries of origin.
3. The Offeror must immediately inform Canada in writing of any and all changes affecting the information provided under this clause during the entire contract period.

6.16 Viewing Sample – Guidance Only

The viewing sample is to be used for guidance on all factors not covered by the RCMP Specification. The RCMP Specification will govern.

6.17 Viewing Sample - Return to RCMP

The viewing sample(s) which may have been sent to the Offeror must be returned to the sender upon completion of the Standing Offer at the expense of the Offeror. The viewing sample(s) must not be damaged or cut, but returned in the same condition as sent to the Offeror. Lost or damaged viewing sample(s) shall be reimbursed to the RCMP for the cost of an acceptable replacement.

6.18 Specifications and Standards

6.18.1 Canadian General Standards Board (CGSB) - Standards

A copy of the CGSB Standards referred to in the Standing Offer is available and may be purchased from:
Canadian General Standards Board
Place du Portage III, 6B1
11 Laurier Street
Gatineau, Québec
Telephone: (819) 956-0425 or 1-800-665-CGSB (Canada only)
Fax: (819) 956-5740
E-mail: ncr.cgsb-ongc@pwgsc-tpsgc.gc.ca
CGSB Website: <http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ongc-cgsb/index-eng.html>

6.19 Pre-Production Sample(s) and Supporting Documentation

Pre-production requirements as described below are required for evaluation before the Offeror is permitted to fulfill any call-ups issued under the Standing Offer. A waiver may be granted at the sole discretion of the Technical Authority. Requests for a waiver by the Offeror must be submitted in writing to the Standing Offer Authority.

A) Pre-Production Sample(s)

Unless a waiver is granted by the RCMP Technical Authority, the Offeror must provide one (1) pre-production sample of the following items, to the Technical Authority for acceptance.

| ITEM | SIZE | STOCK # |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|
| Carrier, Plate, Rifle | One Size | 122032 |

B) Pre-Production Supporting Documentation (Only applicable to pre-qualified Contractors. *To be deleted at contract award if the Contractor is not pre-qualified.)*

B-1 Certificate(s) of compliance

The Certificates of compliance (as defined hereunder) are required with the pre-production sample. The Certificates of compliance must be dated within 18 months of contract award. The following Certificates are required:

- a. Para. 4.1.1, Shell Material, Table I
- b. Para. 4.1.2, Lining Material

- c. Para. 4.1.3, Hook & Loop
- d. Para. 4.1.4, Elastic
- e. Para. 4.1.5.1 & 4.1.5.2, Nylon webbing
- f. Para. 4.1.6.1, 4.1.6.2 & 4.1.6.3, Buckles and hardware
- g. Para. 4.1.7, Thread
- h. Para. 4.1.10, Neoprene padding

Certificate of Compliance Definition

A Certificate of Compliance is defined, for this document, as a signed and dated certification to confirm that a specified component or requirement adheres to the specification. The certification must be prepared, signed and dated by an official representative of the component manufacturer using company letterhead making reference to the specification number and paragraph number. It must specifically address the component or requirement and compliance can be shown by referring to a part number, by providing the component values, by providing a manufacturing data sheet to show technical compliance or by a description stating compliance to the requirement. In-house testing is acceptable to show compliance. Copying the specification word for word is not acceptable.

A separate certificate of compliance is required for each individual component or requirement. Multiple components supplied by the same component manufacturer may be submitted on one certificate of compliance as long as the paragraph numbers and components are clearly identified. With this document, the Offeror certifies that the product for which the certificate of compliance is issued is the same product used in the offer submission, or in the pre-standing offer issuance samples or in the pre-production samples, or in the production units as applicable.

The Offeror is to note that copies of invoices, purchase orders, packing slips and certificates of compliance for products or components that are not manufactured by the certifier are not suitable for use as a certificate of compliance.

Original Version: The RCMP reserves the right to request the original version of any Certificate of Compliance provided by the Offeror. The original Certificate(s) of Compliance must be received by the RCMP within three (3) calendar days upon written notice from the Standing Offer Authority. Failure to provide the original Certificate(s) of Compliance within that timeframe may result in the Standing Offer being set aside.

C) Submission of Pre-Production Sample(s) and Supporting Documentation

1. The pre-production sample and/or certificates of compliance are due within 28 calendar days from date of issuance of the Standing Offer and must be submitted at no charge to Canada.
2. If the pre-production sample and/or certificates of compliance is rejected, the Offeror must submit a second pre-production sample and/or certificate of compliance within 21 calendar days of notification of rejection from the Technical Authority.
3. Rejection by the Technical Authority of the second pre-production sample and/or certificates of compliance submitted by the Offeror for failing to meet the technical requirements will be grounds for setting aside the Standing Offer.
4. The Offeror must carry out all required inspection and tests to verify conformance to the technical requirements of the Standing Offer.

5. The pre-production sample and/or certificates of compliance submitted by the Offeror will remain the property of Canada.
6. The Technical Authority will notify the Offeror, in writing, of the full acceptance, conditional acceptance, or rejection of the pre-production sample and/or certificates of compliance. A copy of this notification will also be provided by the Technical Authority to the Standing Offer Authority. The notice of the full acceptance or conditional acceptance does not relieve the Contractor from complying with all requirements and conditions of the Contract.
7. The Offeror must not commence or continue with production of the items and must not make any deliveries against any call-up until the Offeror has received a written notification from the Technical Authority that the pre-production sample is fully acceptable or conditionally acceptable. Any production of items before pre-production sample acceptance will be at the sole risk of the Offeror.

6.20 Production Sample(s)

The RCMP has the right to request one or more production sample(s) and/or certificate(s) of compliance at its discretion at any time during the Standing Offer period in order to ensure technical compliance with the requirements of the Standing Offer. This requirement will be done in writing by the Standing Offer Authority. Rejection of the Production Sample(s) by the Technical Authority for failing to meet the Standing Offer requirements will be grounds for setting aside the Standing Offer. The sample(s) and/or certificate(s) of compliance submitted by the Offeror will remain the property of Canada.

B. RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from a call-up against the Standing Offer.

6.1 Statement of Requirement

The Contractor must provide the items detailed in the call-up against the Standing Offer

6.2 Standard Clauses and Conditions

6.2.1 General Conditions

2030 (2016/04/04), General Conditions – Higher Complexity – Goods, apply to and form part of the Contract.

6.3 Term of Contract

6.3.1 Delivery Date

Delivery must be completed within 30 days of the call-up against the Standing Offer.

6.4 Payment

6.4.1 Basis of Payment

In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid firm unit prices, as specified in the line item detail in Annex "A". Customs duties are included and Applicable Taxes are extra.

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Standing Offer Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

6.4.2 SACC Manual Clauses

H1001C 2008/05/12 Multiple Payments

6.4.3 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Call-up

The Contractor accepts to be paid using any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

- a. Direct Deposit (Domestic and International)

6.5 Invoicing Instructions

1. The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.
2. Invoices must be distributed as follows:

- (a) One copy marked original must be forwarded to the following address for certification and payment:

Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Uniform & Equipment Program
Email: _____ (to be inserted at issuance of standing offer)

- (b) One (1) copy must be forwarded to the Contracting Authority identified under the section entitled "Authorities" of the Contract.

6.6 **SACC Manual Clauses**

D2025C 2017/08/17 Wood Packaging Materials

6.7 **Procedures for Design Change/Deviation**

When it is necessary to depart, either temporarily or permanently, from the governing technical data in a Contract, the Technical Authority or the Contractor may originate a request for design change or deviation.

If the Technical Authority initiates the design change or deviation process, section 1 of form PWGSC-TPSGC 9038 Design Change/Deviation must be completed and one copy must be sent to the Contractor and Contracting Authority. When required, copies of the supporting technical data should be submitted.

After providing the contractual information required, the Contractor will send a copy of the design form to the Technical Authority and to the Contracting Authority.

The Contractor will be authorized to proceed upon receipt of the design change/deviation form signed by the Contracting Authority. A contract amendment will be issued to incorporate the design change/deviation in the Contract.

6.8 **Subcontractor(s)**

The following subcontractor(s) will be utilized in the performance of the contracts resulting from the Standing Offer.

Name of Company: _____

Location: _____

Value of subcontract: \$ _____

Nature of subcontracting work performed: _____

Subcontractors, other than those listed above, may not be utilized without the written permission of Canada.

6.9 **Overshipment**

Overshipment will not be accepted unless prior approval is obtained from the Standing Offer Authority

6.10 **Materials: Contractor Total Supply**

The Contractor will be responsible for obtaining all materials required in the manufacture of the item specified. The delivery stated for the item(s) allows the necessary time to obtain such materials.

6.11 Delivery

6.11.1 Shipping Instructions - Delivery at Destination

Goods must be consigned to the destination specified in the call-up document and delivered:

- DDP Delivered Duty Paid (DDP) Incoterms 2000 for shipments from a commercial contractor.

6.11.2 Packing, Packaging and Marking

Best commercial packaging standards, to ensure safe arrival at destination and in accordance with the Specification.

Marking and labelling must be in accordance with the Specification.

Quantities and RCMP Stock Numbers to be indicated on carton.

Proper shipping documents must accompany each shipment. Packing slips must include the contract number, item description, RCMP Stock Number and quantity being shipped.

Manufacturer's markings/advertisements will not appear on this item except on the label as per the specification/purchase description. Failure to comply with this article may result in rejection of goods upon inspection.

6.11.3 Rejected Goods

If any goods are rejected and are sold to any resale, all markings and insignia must be removed before being turned over to the purchaser.

6.12 Insurance

SACC Manual Clause G1005C (2016-01-28) Insurance – No Specific Requirement

ANNEX "A"
STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENT

A.1. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENT

The Offeror is required to provide the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) with Carrier, Plate, Rifle for a 12-month period with the possibility of three 12-month extension periods, in accordance with Specification G.S.1045-350, dated 2017-03-14 detailed in Annex "B".

A.2. ADDRESSES

| Destination Address | Invoicing Address |
|--|---|
| Royal Canadian Mounted Police Uniform & Equipment Program 440 Coventry Road, East Door Ottawa, Ontario K1K 2C4 | Refer to Part B clause 6.5 "Invoicing Instructions" |

A.3. DELIVERABLES

| Item | Description | Estimated Quantity | Unit of Issue | Firm Unit Price, DDP, Transportation costs included, Applicable taxes extra |
|------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---|
| 1 | 122032 – Carrier Plate, Rifle | 2,000 | Set | \$ _____ |

EXTENSION PERIOD #1

| Item | Description | Estimated Quantity | Unit of Issue | Firm Unit Price, DDP, Transportation costs included, Applicable taxes extra |
|------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---|
| 2 | 122032 – Carrier Plate, Rifle | 2,000 | Set | \$ _____ |

EXTENSION PERIOD #2

| Item | Description | Estimated Quantity | Unit of Issue | Firm Unit Price, DDP, Transportation costs included, Applicable taxes extra |
|------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---|
| 2 | 122032 – Carrier Plate, Rifle | 2,000 | Set | \$ _____ |

Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation

M7594-186823/A

Client Ref. No. - N° de réf. du client

M7594-186823

Amd. No. - N° de la modif.

File No. - N° du dossier

pr756.M7594-186823

Buyer ID - Id de l'acheteur

pr756

CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME

EXTENSION PERIOD #3

| Item | Description | Estimated Quantity | Unit of Issue | Firm Unit Price, DDP, Transportation costs included, Applicable taxes extra |
|------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---|
| 2 | 122032 – Carrier Plate, Rifle | 2,000 | Set | \$ _____ |

Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation
M7594-186823/A
Client Ref. No. - N° de réf. du client
M7594-186823

Amd. No. - N° de la modif.
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Annex B

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

SPECIFICATION G.S.1045-350 – DATE 2017-03-14

Carrier, Plate Rifle

See attached document

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ANNEX "C"
QUARTERLY REPORT TEMPLATE

Standing Offer Number: *(to be inserted at issuance of Standing Offer)*

Reporting Period (start date to end date): _____

| Date | Call-up # | Description of Item | Quantity | Total Call-Up Amount | |
|--------------|-----------|---------------------|----------|----------------------|------------|
| | | | | w/o taxes | with taxes |
| | | | | | |
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| | | | | | |
| TOTAL | | | | \$ | \$ |

NIL REPORT: We have not done any business with the federal government for this period ____.

Prepared by:

Name: _____

Date: _____

Telephone no.: _____

Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation

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Buyer ID - Id de l'acheteur

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ANNEX “1” to PART 3 OF THE REQUEST FOR STANDING OFFERS

ELECTRONIC PAYMENT INSTRUMENTS

The Offeror accepts to be paid by any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

() Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);



Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Gendarmerie Royale du Canada

Doc. no: G.S. 1045-350
Date: 2017-03-14

Specification

Carrier, Plate, Rifle

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The document is available in English and French.

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RCMP VIEWING SAMPLE

A viewing sample, when available, will be supplied to the successful bidder.

This will be used for the guidance of the manufacturer in all factors not covered by this specification or referred to therein. Variation from the specification may appear in the sample in which case the specification shall govern.

It may be obtained from:

Royal Canadian Mounted Police
ATTN: Uniform and Equipment Program
(440 Coventry Road, Warehouse Building)
1200 Vanier Parkway
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0R2

It will be sent “prepaid” and is to be returned “prepaid”.

The viewing sample shall be returned to the RCMP in the same condition as received by the manufacturer. Lost or damaged viewing samples shall be replaced by an identical item or the RCMP shall be reimbursed for the cost of an acceptable replacement.

SPECIFICATION
CARRIER, PLATE, RIFLE

1. Definitions

- 1.1 This specification shall govern the manufacture and inspection of Carrier, Plate, Rifle. The specific items covered under this specification with stock numbers are as follows:
- i. 122032 – Carrier, Plate, Rifle with Molle/ Gilet pare-balles avec sangles « Molle »
 - ii. 123169 – Carrier, Plate, Rifle, Blank Patch/ Pièce unie pour gilet pare-balles
- 1.2 This specification, drawing, viewing sample, or other information issued in connection therewith, may only be used for specific enquiries, solicitations, or orders placed on behalf of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
- 1.3 This specification supersedes all previous specifications for Carrier, Plate, Rifle.
- 1.4 This specification has been translated into French from this original English language document.

2. Applicable Specifications

- 2.1 The following publications are applicable to this specification and to the issues in effect on the date of the solicitation, unless otherwise specified.
- 2.2 CAN/CGSB 4.2, Textile Test Methods; 5.1-M90 (2013), 6-2013, 9.1-M90 (R2013), 12.1-M90 (R2004), 22-2004 (R2013), 23-M90 (2013), 26.2-94 (R2012).
- 2.3 Federal Standard A-A-59826A, Thread, Nylon.
- 2.4 ASTM, American Society for Testing and Materials, Method D3776/D3776M-09a (2013), D5169-98 (2015) and D5170-98 (2015).
- 2.5 ISO, International Standards Organization; 105-E04:2013, 4920:2012 and 7211-2:1984.

3. **General Requirements**

3.1 The article or material covered by this specification shall be free from material and manufacturing defects that may affect its appearance or serviceability. In all particulars not covered by this specification or contract documents, production shall be equivalent in all respects to the viewing sample.

3.2 **Design**

3.2.1 **Carrier, Plate, Rifle** – The Carrier, Plate, Rifle shall have two pouches made of nylon fabric material, with a side buckle opening, and adjustable shoulder and elasticized waist straps. It shall be available in one size only. It shall have an accessory pouch attachment webbing system on the front panel only. There shall be removable padded shoulder pads, slid onto the front shoulder straps to protect the shoulders from the buckles. There shall be POLICE markings direct embroidered on the front and back pouches. The Carrier, Plate, Rifle shall be manufactured in accordance with the attached drawings, forming part of this specification and the viewing sample.

3.2.2 **Carrier, Plate, Rifle, Blank Patch** – The blank patch for covering the Police identification is a separate item and ordered independently from the Carrier, Plate, Rifle. This patch shall be manufactured in accordance with the attached drawings, forming part of this specification and the viewing sample.

4. **Detail Requirements**

4.1 **Components**

4.1.1 **Shell Material** – The shell material shall be a dark navy, 100% nylon, 1000 denier fabric meeting the requirements outlined in Table I.

4.1.2 **Lining Material, Spacer Mesh** – The lining material shall be a 100% Polyester spacer mesh with a mass of $275 \text{ g/m}^2 \pm 14 \text{ g/m}^2$ finished with a wicking and anti-microbial treatment and thickness of $2 \text{ mm} \pm 0.5 \text{ mm}$. It shall be black in colour.

4.1.3 **Hook and Loop Tape** – The hook and loop tape shall be black in colour, with a high life cycle. The combined hook and loop shall have no less than 8 P.S.I length-wise shear strength with initial peel strength of not less than 1 P.I.W. when tested to ASTM D5169-98 (2015), standard test method for shear strength [dynamic method] of hook and loop touch fasteners and ASTM D5170-98 (2015), standard test method for peel strength ["T" method] of hook and loop touch fasteners."

Dimensions shall be as per drawings.

- 4.1.4 **Elastic** - The elastic shall be heavy duty polyester or nylon, black in colour, with maximum elongation of 130% and recovery as per viewing sample. It shall be woven type with stretch only in the length and black in colour. Dimensions shall be in accordance with the drawings.
- 4.1.5 **Nylon Webbing**
- 4.1.5.1 **Nylon Webbing, Shoulder and Waist Strap** - The webbing shall be a durable nylon webbing, luggage quality, black in colour measuring 3.8 cm (1.5") wide and $0.043'' \pm 0.01''$ thick. It shall have a minimum tensile strength of 1500 lbs. as per Federal Standard 191-5206 test method #4108 and be equal in appearance to the viewing sample. Tape Craft #N0015S is known to meet the requirements.
- 4.1.5.2 **Nylon Webbing, Accessory Attachment** - The webbing shall be a durable nylon webbing, luggage quality, black in colour measuring 2.54 cm (1") wide and $0.04'' \pm 0.01''$ thick. It shall have a minimum tensile strength of 1000 lbs. as per Federal Standard 191-5206 test method #4108 and be equal in appearance to the viewing sample. Tape Craft #N0015-1"-YD001-352 is known to meet the requirements.
- 4.1.6 **Buckles and Hardware**
- 4.1.6.1 **Side Release Buckles** – The buckle shall be a plastic two piece (male and female), made of high quality impact resistant nylon black in colour 3.8 cm (1½") wide, equal to viewing sample. The male portion shall be with a dual adjust system. National Molding Product 6584/6585 is known to meet this requirement.
- 4.1.6.2 **Tensionlock Buckle** – The tensionlock buckle shall be plastic, made of high quality impact resistant nylon, black in colour 3.8 cm (1½") wide, equal to viewing sample. National Molding Product 5852 is known to meet this requirement.
- 4.1.6.3 **Sliplock Buckle** – The sliplock buckle shall be plastic, made of high quality impact resistant nylon, black in colour 3.8 cm (1½") wide, equal to viewing sample. National Molding Product 5058 is known to meet this requirement.
- 4.1.7 **Thread** - The thread shall be twisted multifilaments bonded nylon, Type II, Class A, size F (Tex 90), in accordance with U.S. government standard A-A-59826A, black in colour.

- 4.1.8 **Plastic Reinforcement Stiffener** – The reinforcement stiffener shall be plastic, 1.45-1.60 mm thick, equal to viewing sample.
- 4.1.9 **Grosgrain** - Shall be heavy duty nylon grosgrain binding tape, black in colour 2 cm wide, 0.3 mm thickness, and be equal in all respects to viewing sample.
- 4.1.10 **Neoprene Padding** – The neoprene padding shall be made of 100% Nylon on the outer surface and 10% Nylon/ 90% Neoprene as the inner content. It shall be 725 g/m² ± 25g/m², 2.5 mm thick, black in colour and be equal in all respects to viewing sample.
- 4.2 **Size and Dimensions** – The Carrier, Plate, Rifle to this specification shall be supplied in one size to the dimensions given in the scale of measurements and drawings forming part of this specification.
- 4.3 **Construction**
- 4.3.1 **Stitching** - All stitching shall be lockstitch. There shall be not less than three or more than four stitches per centimetre. The beginning and ending of all stitching shall be securely backstitch tacked, unless secured by other stitching. All topstitching as indicated in the drawings and on the sample shall be sewn using a 2 mm gauge.
- 4.3.2 **Plate Pouches** - The Rifle Plate Carrier consists of two rifle plate pouches, front and back, each intended to carry a rifle plate of up to 4 kg in weight. The pouches shall easily accommodate an RCMP rifle plate measuring up to 3.3 cm thick.
- 4.3.2.1 **Front Plate Pouch** – All pieces of the pouch shall be made with material as specified in Para. 4.1.1. There shall be loop tape, as specified in Para. 4.1.3, placed on top of the shell material on the front of the pouch. The word “POLICE” shall be embroidered directly onto the loop tape. The font shall be Arial Bold, uppercase letters in white and shall be dimensioned as per drawing # 6. The top edge of the Police lettering shall start at 2 cm ± 0.2 cm from the top edge of the loop tape and shall be centered across the front. There shall be four horizontal rows of the webbing as specified in Para. 4.1.5.2 sewn to the front of the pouch. The first row shall start 8 cm ± 0.5 cm from the top edge of the loop tape. Each subsequent row shall be spaced 2.5 cm apart. Each row of webbing shall be bar tacked 5 times at 3.8 cm intervals beginning 6 cm from the front side seam as outlined in drawing #2. The bar tack shall penetrate through all layers and measure 2.5 cm in length. The back of the pouch shall have a piece of loop tape, as specified in Para. 4.1.3,

measuring 3.8 cm wide, applied to the face material at the opening. This opening shall measure 20.5 cm \pm 0.5 cm. Refer to drawing #4. The side piece shall measure 7.5 cm wide at the top edge of each end gradually decreasing to 3.2 cm wide \pm 0.5 cm, starting at 9.5 cm from each end. The side piece ends shall have a piece of material as specified in Para. 4.1.9, folded in half and sewn over the raw edge. An adjustable waist strap component, as constructed in Para. 4.3.4, shall be inserted in the seam between the front pouch and the side piece, centered with the bottom row of webbing. The side piece shall be sewn to join the front and the rear pouch at the sides and bottom. The top cover consisting of three pieces shall be sewn along the top side and top front to enclose the plate. A piece of hook tape, as specified in Para. 4.1.3, measuring 3.8 cm wide by the length of the opening from seam to seam, shall be sewn on the back side of the material butted against the outer edge. The adjustable shoulder strap as specified in Para. 4.3.3 shall be inserted into the flap side piece on each side, stitched and bar tacked the length of the opening. The shoulder strap shall be angled away from the neck. The two straps shall be inserted into the right and left sides of the front pouch with the loop tape end inserted to the pouch and facing outward. The front plate pouch shall be shaped, dimensioned and constructed in accordance with drawing #2 and the viewing sample.

- 4.3.2.2 **Back Plate Pouch** - All pieces of the pouch shall be made with material as specified in Para. 4.1.1. The front shall be constructed from two pieces with a flap inserted in the seam. There shall be loop tape as specified in paragraph 4.1.3 measuring 7 cm wide sewn to the front of the pouch at the top, and secured into the side seams. The word "POLICE" shall be embroidered directly onto the loop tape. The font shall be Arial Bold, uppercase letters in white and shall be dimensioned as per drawing # 6. The top edge of the Police lettering shall start at 1.5 cm \pm 0.2 cm from the top edge of the loop tape and shall be centered across the front of the back pouch. There shall be a horizontal seam 18.5 cm \pm 0.5 cm below the top edge of the loop tape to secure a flap. The top side of the seam shall be topstitched with 3 mm gauge. The flap shall be constructed using two layers of shell material as specified in Para. 4.1.1 and a middle layer of stiffener as specified in Para. 4.1.8. The flap shall measure 24 cm x 9 cm \pm 0.5 cm. A piece of loop tape measuring 7.5 cm wide by 22 cm \pm 0.5 cm long shall be sewn to the underside of the flap facing towards the front of the pouch. Loop tape as specified in paragraph 4.1.3, measuring 7.5 cm wide by 22 cm \pm 0.5 cm long shall be sewn onto the front of the pouch, 0.5 cm below the flap seam. The back of the pouch shall have a piece of loop tape, as specified in Para. 4.1.3, measuring 3.8 cm wide, applied to the face material at the opening. This opening shall measure 20.5 cm \pm 0.5 cm. Refer to drawing #4. The side piece shall measure 7.5 cm wide the top edge of each end gradually decreasing to 3.2 cm wide \pm 0.5 cm, starting at 9.5 cm from each end.

The side piece ends shall have a piece of material as specified in Para. 4.1.9, folded in half and sewn over the raw edge. The side piece shall be sewn to join the front and the rear pouch at the sides and bottom. The top cover consisting of three pieces shall be sewn along the top side and top front to enclose the plate. A piece of hook tape, as specified in Para. 4.1.3, measuring 3.8 cm wide by the length of the opening from seam to seam, shall be sewn on the back side of the material butted against the outer edge. The adjustable shoulder strap as specified in Para. 4.3.3 shall be inserted into the flap side piece on each side, stitched and bar tacked the length of the opening. The shoulder strap shall be angled away from the neck. An adjustable waist strap, as specified in Para. 4.3.4, shall be attached between the loop tape and flap. The back pouch shall be shaped, dimensioned and constructed in accordance with drawing #3 and the viewing sample.

4.3.3 Adjustable Shoulder Straps – There are four separate pieces that make up the adjustable shoulder straps. Each strap is made using different components. The adjustable shoulder strap piece sewn to the front pouch shall be made with the webbing as specified in Para. 4.1.5.1 and shall measure 3.8 cm wide x 37 cm long. There shall be loop tape as specified in Para. 4.1.3, measuring 3.8 cm x 15 cm sewn to the front of the webbing at one end. There shall be hook tape as specified in Para. 4.1.3, measuring 3.8 cm x 10 cm sewn to the front of the webbing at the opposite end. The two straps shall be inserted into the right and left sides of the front pouch with the hook tape facing outwards. The male portion of a side release buckle, specified in Para. 4.1.6.1, shall feed through the left shoulder strap with the hook tape folding back onto the corresponding loop tape as per drawing #2. The female portion of the side release buckle as specified in Para. 4.1.6.1, shall be permanently sewn to the shoulder strap webbing measuring 3.8 cm x 10.5 cm \pm 0.5 cm and shall be inserted on the left side of the back plate pouch as per drawing #3. The tensionlock sliding buckle, as specified in Para. 4.1.6.2, shall be permanently sewn to the shoulder strap webbing measuring 3.8 cm x 14 cm \pm 0.5 cm and shall be inserted on the right side of the back plate pouch as per drawing #3. The right front shoulder strap should be fed through the tensionlock buckle to close the shoulder strap. A bar tack the full width of the strap shall be used to secure the straps to the pouch material and to secure the side release and tensionlock sliding buckles to the back shoulder straps.

4.3.4 Adjustable Waist Strap - The carrier shall have two detachable, adjustable waist straps as per drawing #5 and the viewing sample. The waist strap component sewn into the front pouch seam shall be made with webbing as specified in Para. 4.1.5.1 measuring 3.8 cm wide. The female portion of the buckle as specified in Para. 4.1.6.1 shall be secured to one end. The finished length shall be 5 cm between the

front side seam and the beginning of the buckle as outlined in drawing #2. The waist strap shall be made of elastic as specified in Para. 4.1.4, and shall be 3.8 cm wide, with an extended length of 44 cm \pm 1 cm as per drawing #5. Each waist strap shall have hook tape as specified in Para. 4.1.3 measuring 3.8 cm x 7.5 cm \pm 0.5 cm sewn to both sides of the elastic at one end. There shall be a sliplock buckle as specified in Para. 4.1.6.3, permanently sewn to the opposite end as per drawing #5 and the viewing sample. The end of the waist strap with the double hook tape shall feed through the male portion of the side release buckle, specified in Para. 4.1.6.1, and then through the sliplock buckle specified in Para. 4.1.6.3, to finish the waist strap. The hook tape on the completed waist strap shall be attached to the back pouch. The waist straps shall be constructed in accordance with drawing #5 and the viewing sample.

- 4.3.5 **Padded Shoulder Pads** - Each Rifle Plate Carrier shall come with two padded shoulder pads. The pads shall be constructed using shell material specified in Para. 4.1.1 on one side and lining material specified in Para. 4.1.2 on the other side with an inner layer of neoprene padding as specified in Para. 4.1.10. The shoulder pad shall measure 17 cm x 6.5 cm \pm 0.5 cm. There shall be a flap extension measuring 13.5 cm x 8 cm \pm 0.5 cm inserted into the side seam of the shoulder pad between the shell material specified in Para. 4.1.1 and the lining material specified in Para. 4.1.2. There shall be two pieces of elastic as specified in Para. 4.1.4, measuring 2.54 cm x 6.4 cm long \pm 0.5 cm, positioned on the inside of the pad as per drawing #8 and the viewing sample. There shall be a piece of loop tape measuring 1.6 cm x 13.5 cm \pm 0.5 cm as specified in Para. 4.1.3, affixed with one row of stitching 3 mm gauge on outer edge of the inner side of the pad. There shall be a piece of hook tape as specified in Para. 4.1.3, measuring 1.6 cm x 13.5 cm \pm 0.5 cm stitched on all sides at 3 mm gauge on the outer edge of the flap extension of the pad. The padded shoulder pads shall be manufactured in accordance with drawing #8 forming part of this specification and the viewing sample.
- 4.4 **Carrier, Plate, Rifle, Blank Patch** - The patch shall be constructed from shell material specified in Para. 4.1.1 and shall measure 16 cm x 6 cm \pm 0.5 cm as per drawing #8. The back of the blank patch shall have hook tape as specified in Para. 4.1.3, measuring the same size as the patch stitched with 3 mm gauge on the back side of the material. There shall be a label as specified in Para. 4.5.2 stitched on the side end of the hook tape.
- 4.5 **Labelling** - A permanent label shall be placed on each rifle plate carrier back pouch on the wear (body) side. The label information shall be as outlined below in a font no less than size 10. The text shall be permanent ink in a contrasting colour and

shall withstand at least 50 washes showing no apparent change in appearance. The label shall be large enough to print all required information legibly.

4.5.1 **Marking & Cleaning Instructions Label for the Pouch** - The label shall be completed in accordance with the following information in English and French.

1. Print information as shown below.
2. Print information as shown below.
3. Print information as shown below.
4. Print information as shown below.
5. Date of manufacture, in numeric format year/month (Ex. 2001/11)
6. Your manufacturer identification (Company name or number).
7. Print information as shown below.
8. Print information as shown below.
9. Print information as shown below.
10. Print information as shown below.
11. Print information as shown below.
12. Print information as shown below.

| | | |
|----|--|---|
| 1 | Carrier, Plate, Rifle | |
| 2 | gilet pare-balles | |
| 3 | RCMP #/N° GRC 122032 | |
| 4 | One Size – Taille unique | |
| 5 | | |
| 6 | | |
| 7 | THIS SIDE AGAINST BODY / CE CÔTÉ PRÈS DU CORPS | |
| 8 | HANDLE WITH CARE - DO NOT DROP / MANIPULER AVEC SOINS – NE PAS ÉCHAPPER | |
| 9 | THIS RIFLE PLATE CARRIER DOES NOT PROVIDE BALLISTIC PROTECTION BY ITSELF. IT MUST BE WORN WITH APPROVED RCMP RIFLE PLATES. | |
| | LE PRÉSENT GILET PARE-BALLES N'OFFRE AUCUNE PROTECTION CONTRE LES PROJECTILES S'IL NE CONTIENT PAS DE PLAQUES DE PROTECTION BALISTIQUE APPROUVÉES PAR LA GRC. | |
| 10 | Machine wash - warm (40°C) | Laver à la machine – eau tiède (40 °C) |
| 11 | Do Not use fabric softener or chlorine bleach | Ne pas utiliser d'agent assouplissant ni d'agent de blanchiment |
| 12 | Tumble dry- low (Do Not use dryer sheets) | Sécher par culbutage – à basse température (Ne pas utiliser d'assouplissant en feuilles) |

Note: The manufacturer's identification shall not appear anywhere on the garment except on the label as indicated.

- 4.5.2 **Marking Label for the Blank Patch** - The label shall be completed in accordance with the following information in English and French.

1. Print information as shown below.
2. Print information as shown below.

| | | |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | 123169 | |
| 2 | Carrier, Plate, Rifle, Blank Patch | Pièce unie pour gilet pare-balles |

5. **Quality Assurance Provisions**

- 5.1 **Responsibility for Inspection** - Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, it is the prime contractor's responsibility to satisfy the R.C.M.P., Uniform and Equipment Program that the material and services being supplied conform to this specification. This may be accomplished by performing the tests specified in this specification or by demonstrating to the satisfaction of the R.C.M.P., Uniform and Equipment Program that conformity to this specification of manufacturing processes is assured. The contractor may use his own facilities or any commercial testing establishment acceptable to the R.C.M.P., Uniform and Equipment Program.
- 5.2 The R.C.M.P., Uniform and Equipment Program reserves the right to perform any inspection considered necessary to ensure the material and services conform to the specified requirements. For the purpose of inspection, a portion of each delivery not exceeding two percent or two out of any number delivered under 100 may be put to tests that could destroy the articles. If found to be inferior or not in accordance with this specification, all articles so destroyed shall be replaced by others of proper quality and pattern at the expense of the contractor. The entire delivery may also be rejected if it is found that articles previously rejected due to non-repairable defects are redelivered for inspection.
- 5.3 The contractor will be promptly notified when any articles are not accepted and such articles will be returned at the contractor's risk and expense.

6. **Scale of Measurement Definitions and Location References**

(Refer to the Scale of Measurements and Drawing No. 1).

- 6.1 **Pouch Width** – The width shall be the distance measured across the width from side seam to side seam 5 cm above the bottom seam. (A).
- 6.2 **Pouch Length** – When the pouch is closed the length is the distance measured from the top of the pouch to the bottom seam. (B).
- 6.3 **Angle Length** – The angle length shall be the distance measured from the start of the angle to the top of the pouch along the seam. (C).
- 6.4 **Top Pouch Width** – When the pouch is open, the width shall be the distance measured across the top edge of the pouch from seam to seam. (D).
- 6.5 **Side Piece Width** – The width shall be the distance measured from seam to seam of the side piece measured half way down the side of the pouch. (E).

| Scale of Measurements – Carrier, Plate, Rifle Dimensions | | | | | |
|--|-------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | Pouch Width | Pouch Length | Angle Length | Top Pouch Width | Side Piece Width |
| ONE SIZE | 27 | 32 | 9.5 | 21.5 | 3.3 |
| Tolerance (cm) | ± 0.5 | ± 1 | ± 0.5 | ± 0.5 | ± 0.3 |
| Measurement Location | A | B | C | D | E |

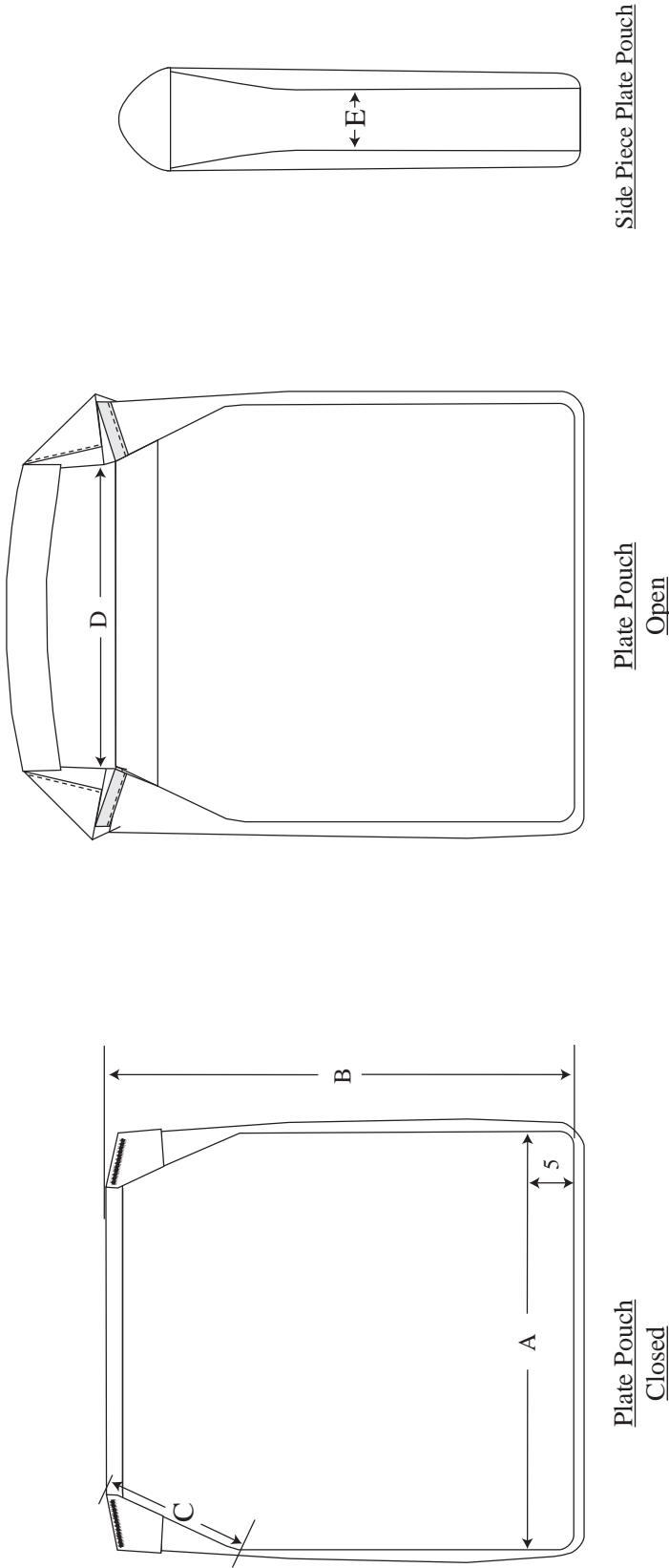
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TABLE I
Shell Material

| REQUIREMENT | | | ACCEPTABLE TEST METHODS |
|-------------|--|---|---|
| 1 | Colour | Dark Navy, to match swatch available from RCMP Uniform & Equipment Program | |
| 2 | Fibre Content | 100% Nylon 1000 denier | --- |
| 3 | Weave | Plain | Visual |
| 4 | Mass | Fabric: 285 g/m ² - 363 g/m ² (8.4 oz/yd ² - 10.7 oz/yd ²) Coating: 34 g/m ² (1oz/yd ²) minimum | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAN/CGSB-4.2 No. 5.1-M90 (2013) • ASTM D3776/D3776M-09a (2013) |
| 5 | Yarns per cm | Warp: 13 min. Weft: 10 min. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAN/CGSB-4.2 No. 6-2013 • ISO 7211-2:1984 |
| 6 | Breaking Strength - Grab Method | Warp: 1300 N min. Weft: 1300 N min. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAN/CGSB-4.2 No. 9.1-M90 (R2013) |
| 7 | Tearing Strength - Tongue Method | Warp: 180 N (40.8 lbs) min. Weft: 180 N (40.8 lbs) min. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAN/CGSB-4.2 No. 12.1-M90 (R2004) |
| 8 | Resistance to Surface Wetting - Spray Method | 100 initial | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAN/CGSB-4.2 No. 26.2-94 (R2012) • ISO 4920:2012 |
| 9 | Colourfastness - To Crocking | Dry: Grade 4 or better Wet: Grade 3 or better | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAN/CGSB-4.2 No. 22-2004 |
| 10 | Colourfastness - To Perspiration | Grade 4 or better | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAN/CGSB-4.2 No. 23-M90 (R2013) • ISO 105-E04:2013 |

Scale of Measurement Location

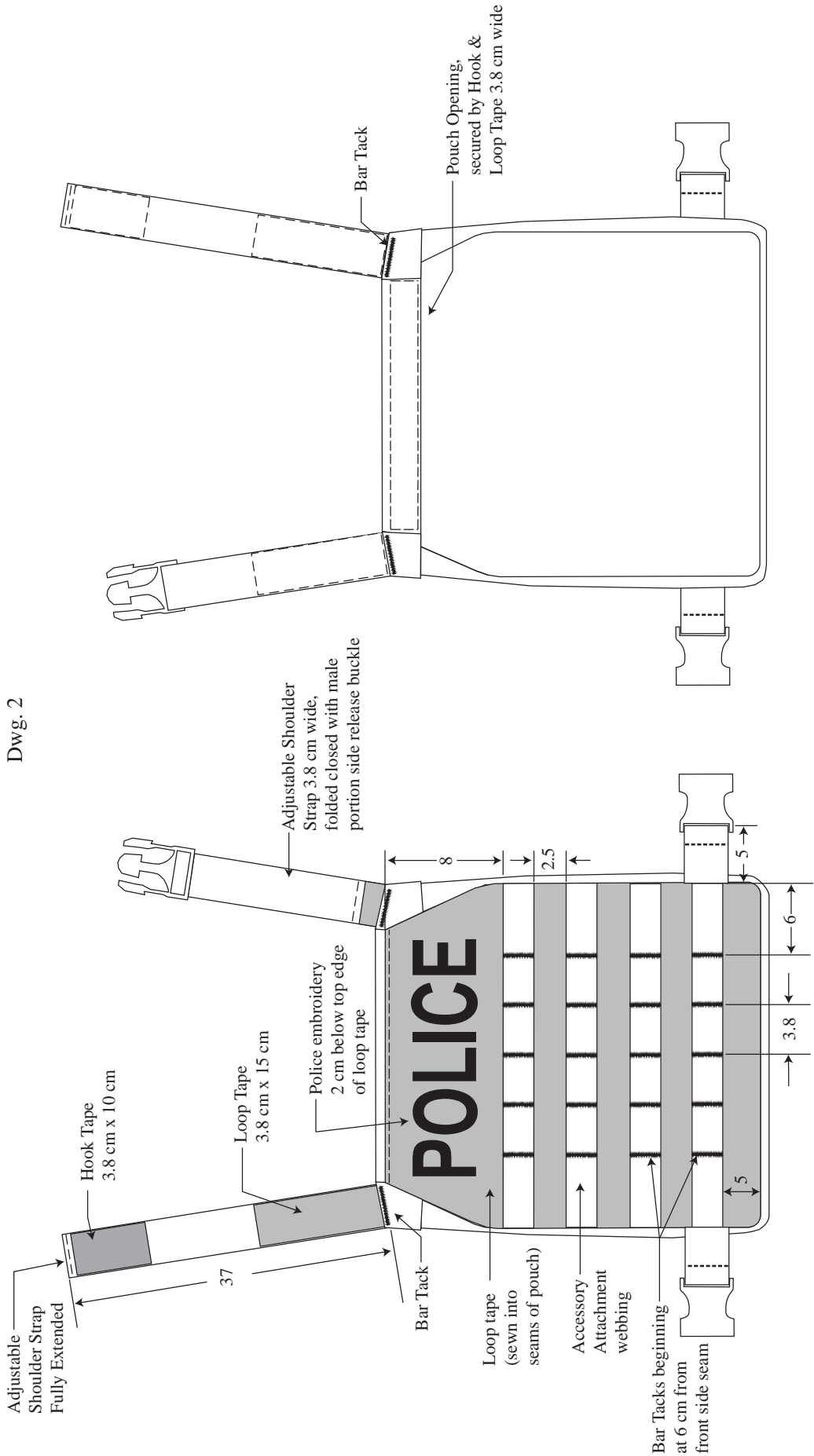
Dwg. 1



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NOT TO SCALE

Front Plate Pouch (Shown without Adjustable Waist Strap)

Dwg. 2



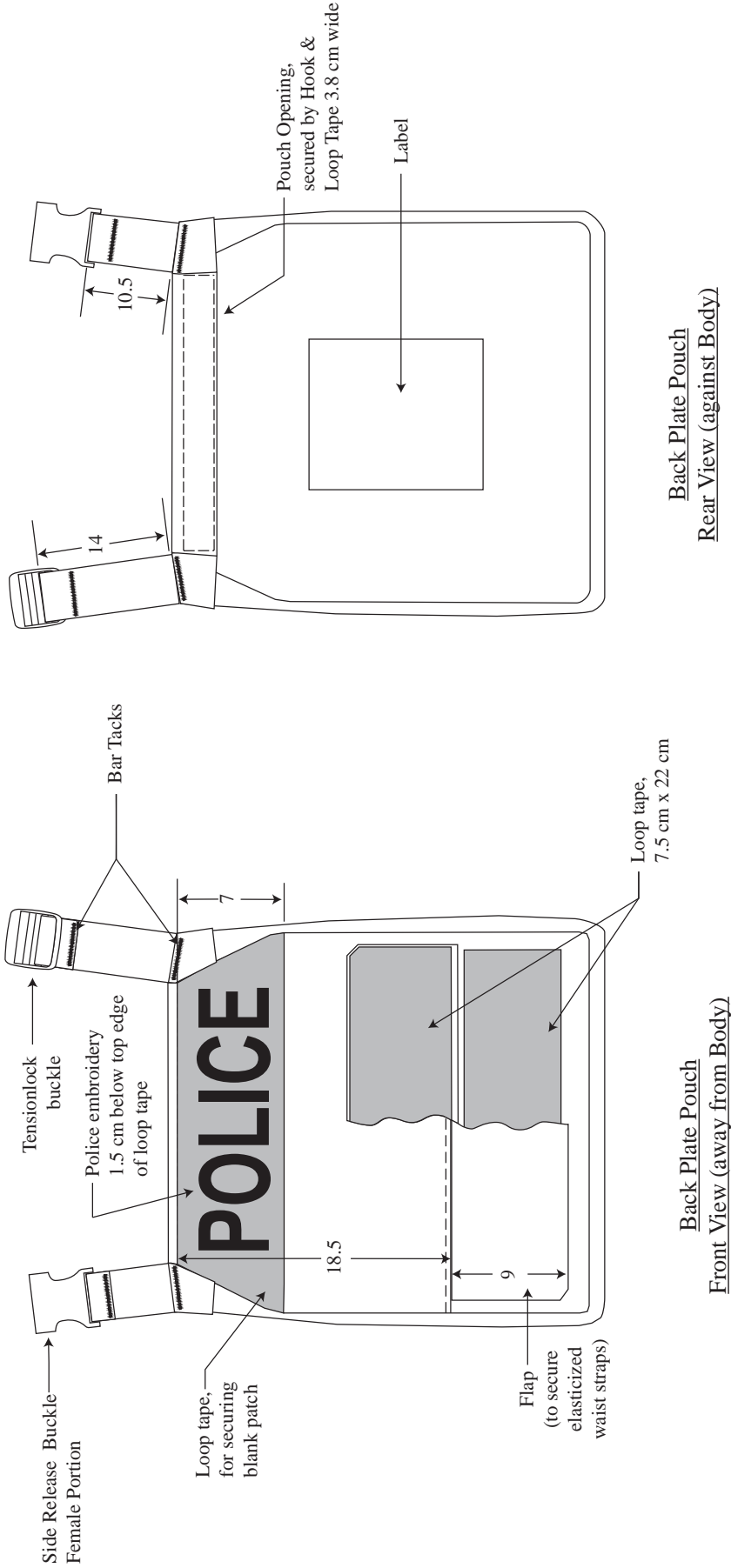
Front Plate Pouch
Rear View (against Body)

Front Plate Pouch
Front View (away from Body)

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Back Plate Pouch (Shown without Adjustable Waist Strap)

Dwg. 3



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CARRIER, PLATE, RIFLE
Pouch Opening and Side Piece

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Dwg. 4

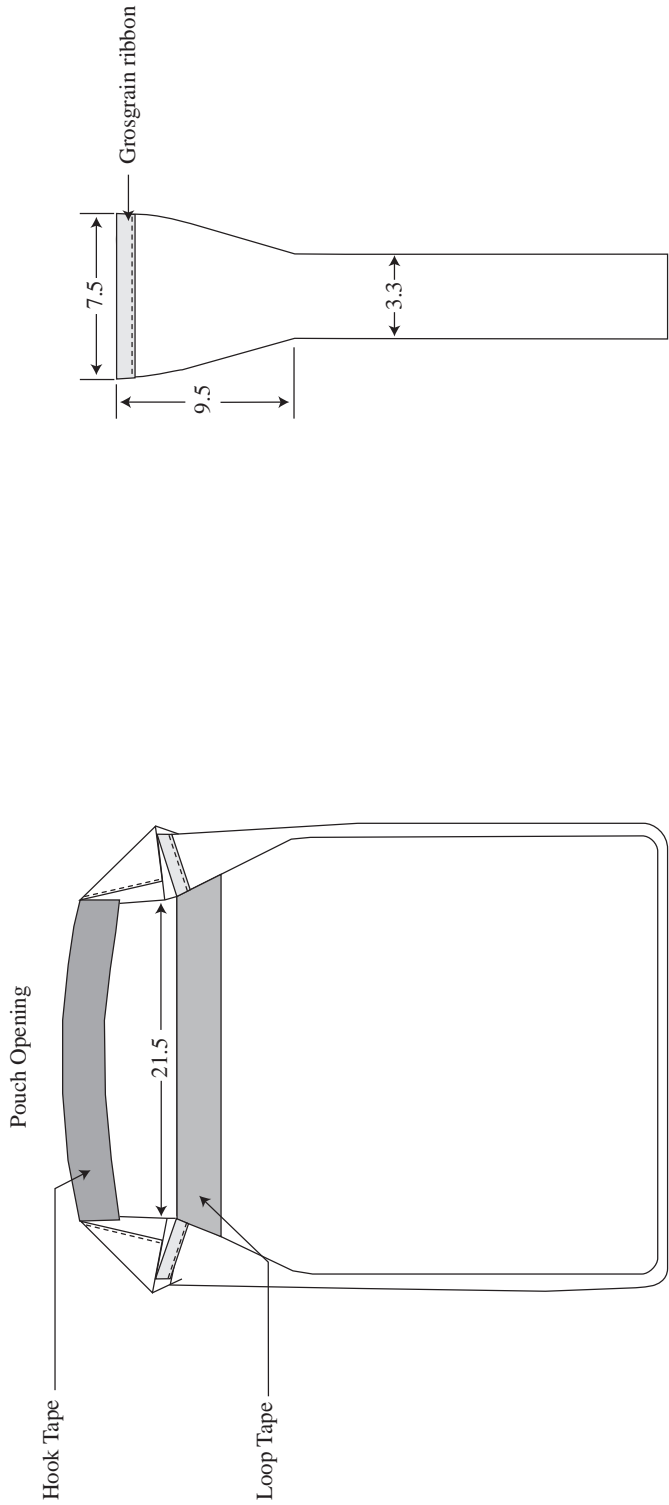


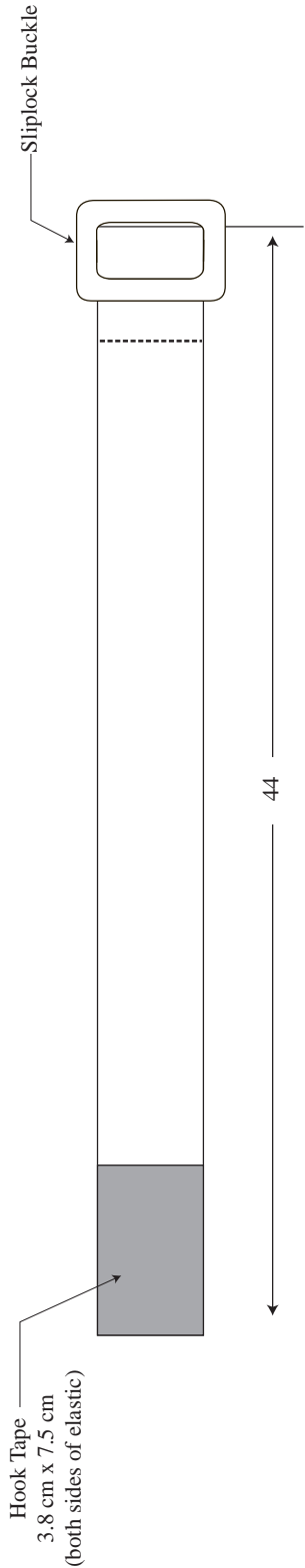
Plate Pouch
Rear View (against Body)

Plate Pouch Side Piece
Side View

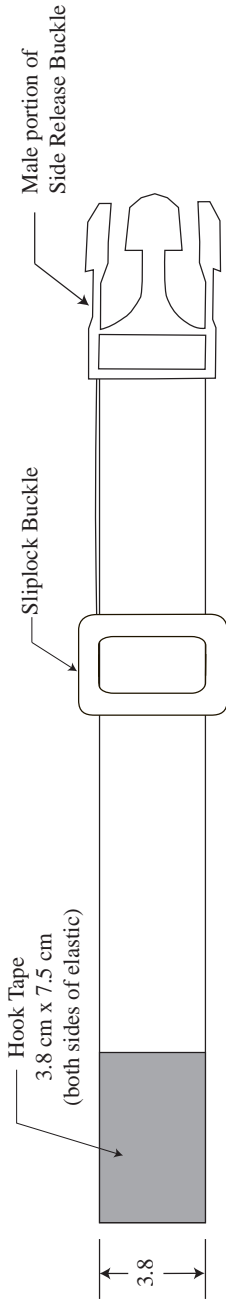
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Adjustable Waist Strap

Dwg. 5



Adjustable Waist Strap
(shown full length without male portion of side buckle)



Adjustable Waist Strap
(shown folded with male portion of side buckle attached)

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“POLICE” Embroidery Dimensions, Front & Back

Dwg. 6



“POLICE” Embroidery Size

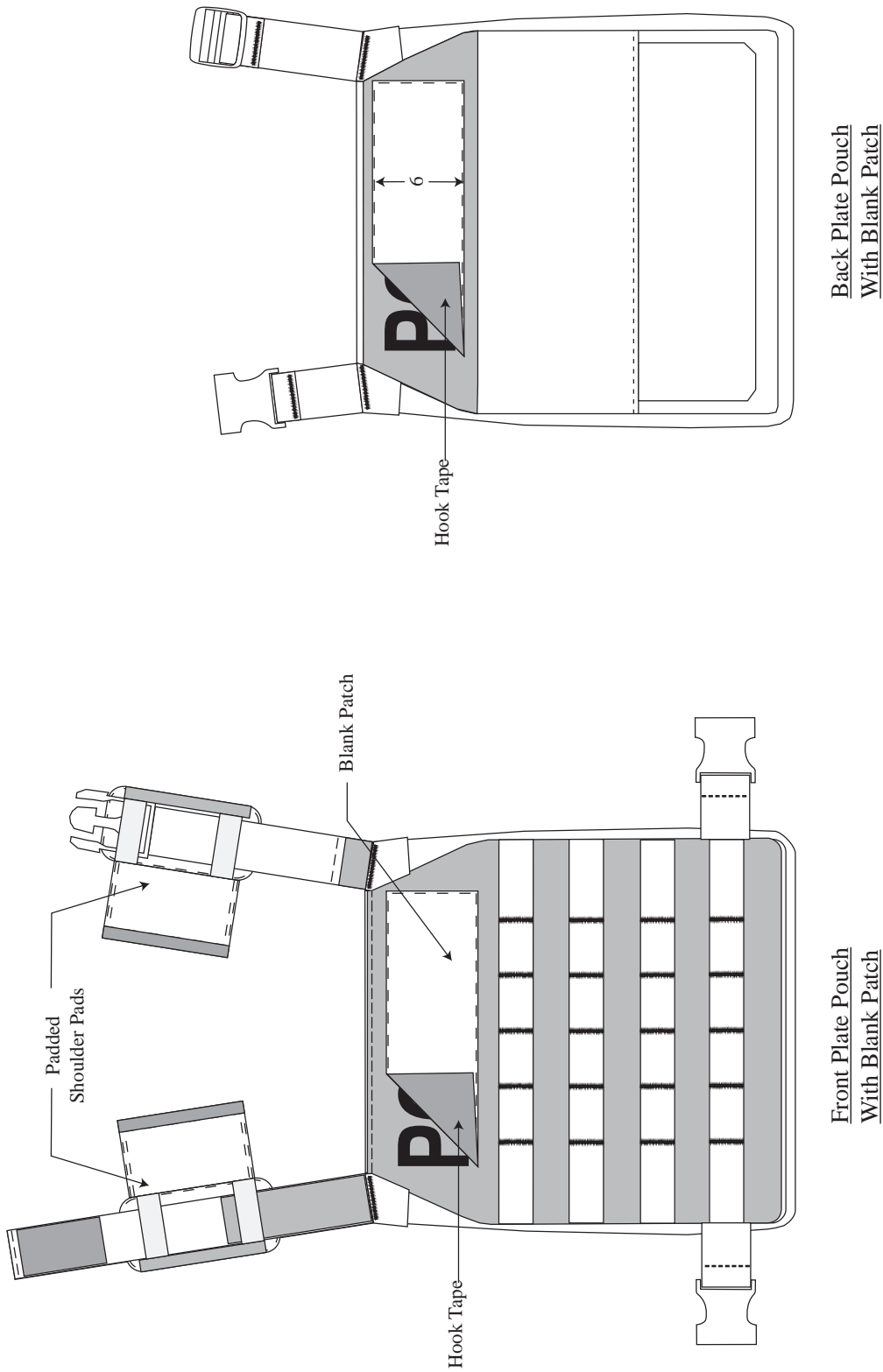
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CARRIER, PLATE, RIFLE

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Shoulder Pads & Blank Patch

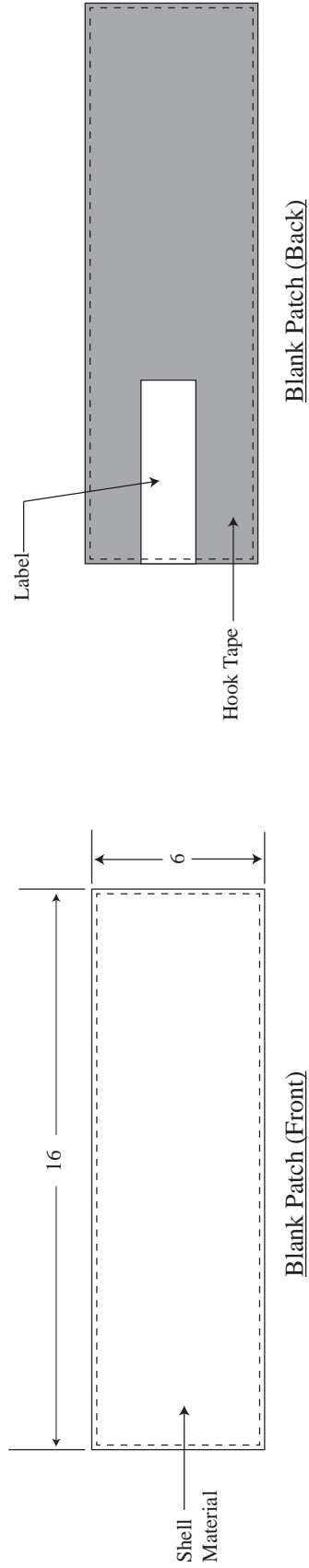
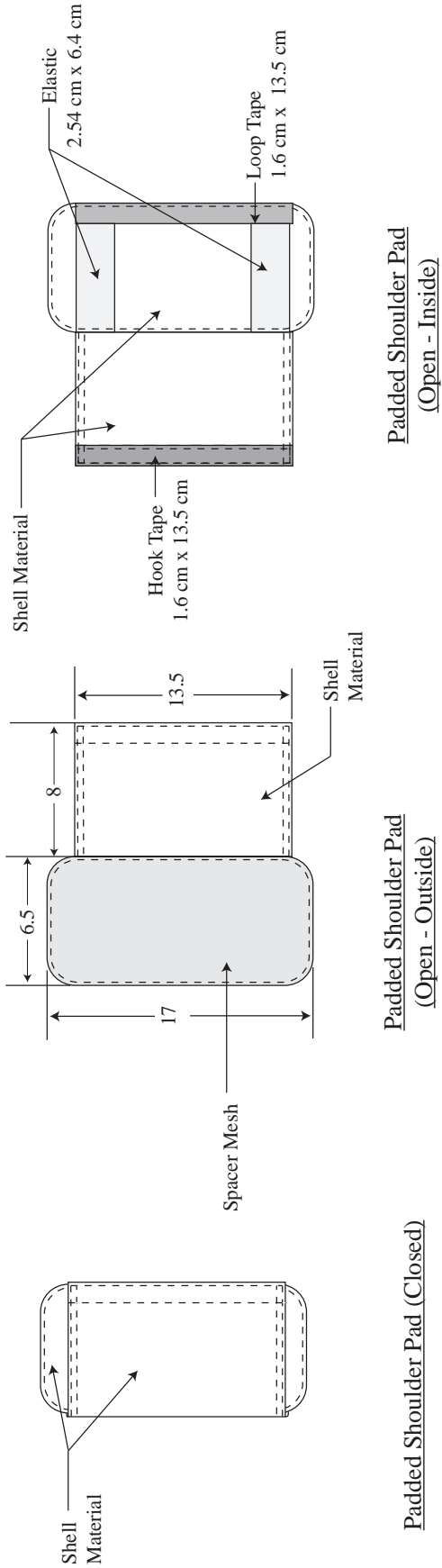
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Shoulder Pads & Blank Patch

Dwg. 8



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