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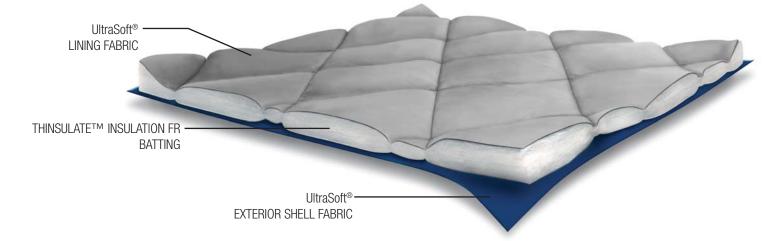
3M Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR Quilted to Westex UltraSoft[®]

Westex, a world leader in flame resistant fabrics, and 3M, a leader in nonwoven fiber technology, have teamed up to introduce Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR quilted to UltraSoft[®]. With this revolutionary new product, wearers can achieve lightweight warmth. And the Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR has exceptional thermal weight efficiency, making it ideal for outdoor environments where workers need to tackle tough jobs in comfort.

Made from a flame resistant blend of aramid, modacrylic and polyester fibers, Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR quilted to UltraSoft[®] is designed as a mid-loft product with quality drape characteristics to enhance garment flexibility and aid in garment styling. In addition, the lofty fibrous webs trap more air and contain more of the body's radiant heat than higher-density needle-punched webs, thereby maintaining warmth and breathability. UltraSoft[®] flame resistant fabrics offer guaranteed softness, comfort and flame resistance for the life of the garment. With millions of garments in service worldwide for over a decade, UltraSoft[®] fabrics have a strong reputation for providing an excellent balance of protection, comfort and value.

Workers in utilities, electrical maintenance (NFPA 70E), oil and gas, and many other industries can benefit from Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR and UltraSoft[®] garments. By wearing superior fabric, they can achieve more warmth in a lighter-weight garment. In addition, as highlighted on the opposite page, Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR quilted to UltraSoft[®] provides excellent protection from electric arc flash and flash fire.

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PROTECTION FROM TWO PROVEN & TRUSTED BRANDS



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FLASH FIRE PROTECTION



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Protection from Electric Arc Flash & Flash Fire

ELECTRIC ARC FLASH PROTECTION						
MULTI-LAYER ATPV SYSTEMS Tested at Kinectrics per ASTM 1959 Standard Test Method for Determining the Arc Rating of Materials for Clothing						
Exterior Shell Fabric	Quilted Lining	ATPV				
	Style 751 Batting= Thinsulate [™] Insulation FR "FR 120" 3.5oz (120g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	37.2 cal/cm²				
UltraSoft® Style 301 7oz (237g)	Style 752 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 150" 4.4oz (150g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	37.6 cal/cm ²				
	Style 753 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 200" 5.9oz (200g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	44.1 cal/cm ²				
	Style 751 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 120" 3.5oz (120g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	41.0 cal/cm ²				
UltraSoft® Style 451 9oz (305g)	Style 752 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 150" 4.4oz (150g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	44.6 cal/cm²				
	Style 753 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 200" 5.9oz (200g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	48.0 cal/cm ²				
	Style 751 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 120" 3.5oz (120g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	46.5 cal/cm ²				
UltraSoft® Style 961 11oz (372g)	Style 752 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 150" 4.4oz (150g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	47.5 cal/cm ²				
	Style 753 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 200" 5.9oz (200g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	50.7 cal/cm²				
UltraSoft® Style 881 8oz (271g)	Style 751 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 120" 3.5oz (120g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	36.0 cal/cm²				
UltraSoft® with EPIC® Style 452 10oz (339g)	Style 752 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 150" 4.4oz (150g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	56.5 cal/cm²				
UltraSoft® with EPIC® Style 452 10oz (339g)	Style 753 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 200" 5.9oz (200g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	57.3 cal/cm ²				

FLASH FIRE PROTECTION

	FLASH FIRE MANIKIN RESULTS sted at the University of Alberta's independent laboratory per the ASTM F1930 Standard				
Exterior Shell Fabric	Quilted Lining	Total 2nd- and 3rd-Degree Body Burn ASTM F1930 Std. Test Method 2-second exposure			
UltraSoft® Style 301 7oz (237g)	Style 751 Batting= Thinsulate [™] Insulation FR "FR 120" 3.5oz (120g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft [®] Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	8.73%**			

*Do not use Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR in constructing apparel intended for NFPA 2112 certification **Figure includes 7% for the head







Ultimate Warmth Matched to Maximum Comfort

Westex typically recommends that wear trials be performed to determine which garment offers the most comfort. However, with cold-weather clothing, results from "clo" testing can also be analyzed to help quantify and compare the amount of warmth an individual garment system can provide.

What is a Clo Value?

Clo is a measure of thermal insulation capability, for apparel insulation (similar to R-value for home insulation). The higher the clo, the warmer the person will be. The colder the environment, the greater amount of clo, or clothing insulation, that will be required to be comfortable at the same activity level.

Technical Definition of Clo: 1 clo is the amount of thermal insulation required for clothing to be comfortable in a normally ventilated room at 70° F (21° C) and <50% humidity in a sitting/ resting position.

Measured Properties of UltraSoft[®] & Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR Products in Quilted Applications:

Results are based on 3M testing of Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR products quilted in a six-inch diamond pattern. Quilting data is based on a single quilting run for each product and is for illustrative purposes only and does not mean that the final results will be the same with these or other fabric materials. Quilting conditions and variables may influence results.

Exterior Shell Fabric	Quilted Lining	Thermal Resistance (Rcf) ASTM F 1868	
		Clo Value	R-Value
	Style 751 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 120" 3.5oz (120g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	1.5	1.3
UltraSoft® Style 961 11oz (372g)	Style 752 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 150" 4.4oz (150g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	1.7	1.5
	Style 753 Batting= Thinsulate™ Insulation FR "FR 200" 5.9oz (200g) Face Cloth= UltraSoft® Style 341 5.5oz (186g)	2	1.8

THINSULATE™ INSULATION FR VS. STANDARD MODACRYLIC INSULATION

Quilted System	TOTAL WEIGHT	Thermal Resistance (Rcf) ASTM F 1868	
		Clo Value	R-Value
Thinsulate [™] Insulation FR & UltraSoft® Batting= Thinsulate [™] Insulation FR "FR 120" Face Cloth= UltraSoft®	11oz (372g)	1.4	1.2
Standard Modacrylic Quilted System Batting= 100% Modacrylic Face Cloth= 100% FR Cotton	14.1oz (478g)	1.1	0.09

Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR & UltraSoft[®] Quilted System = 28% Lighter Weight & 27% More Warmth







Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR has lofty fibrous webs that trap more air and contain more of the body's radiant heat than higher-density traditional needle-punched webs.

THE RESULT:

exceptional warmth and breathability without the weight.



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WARNING

- Always use the applicable flame resistant shell materials when constructing apparel.
- Do not use in protective apparel for Structural Fire Fighting, Proximity Fire Fighting, Wildland Fire Fighting, Fire Entry, Technical Rescue or other Fire Fighting Operations.
- Do not use in apparel designed for more than momentary, unplanned or accidental exposure to Flames, Heat or Electric Arc.
- Do not use Thinsulate™ Insulation FR in constructing apparel intended for NFPA 2112 certification.
- Always add Proper Care / Laundering Instructions to apparel.
- Always ensure that Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR is the only type of Thinsulate[™] Insulation used in constructing apparel requiring flame resistance.
- Use of Thinsulate[™] Insulation FR in inappropriate applications could increase the severity of injury to the end user.
- Do not use in apparel designed for more than momentary, unplanned or accidental exposure to chemicals or flammable contaminants.

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