



Second Correlating Revision No. 1-NFPA 1975-2018 [Section No. 1.2.2]

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Controlled laboratory tests used to determine compliance with the performance requirements of this standard shall not be deemed as establishing performance levels for all situations to which emergency services personnel might be exposed.

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Certain performance attributes of station work uniforms cannot be adequately assessed under controlled laboratory conditions. An example of such attributes are claims of moisture management. Many manufacturers claim moisture management properties of base-layer garments, but there is currently no standardized means of adequately assessing the impact on fire fighter safety. The impact on fire fighter safety can vary in different scenarios, depending on the primary protective clothing worn over the station work uniform.

In the 2014 edition of NFPA 1975, optional requirements for odor-resistant work apparel were included. This category was intended to address the antimicrobial properties of work apparel and used an industry-accepted test method for antimicrobial activity of apparel materials. This optional category was removed because the term *odor resistance* was not directly related to fire fighter or emergency responder safety and additional material testing would be needed for making a true antimicrobial claim consistent with the U.S. government regulations required to support specific claims of antimicrobial performance and efficacy.

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5.1.6

Where work apparel is certified as compliant with the mandatory base requirements of this standard, and also certified as compliant with one or more of the optional requirements of this standard, the statement in 5.1.5 shall be printed legibly on the product label. The label shall also indicate the applicable optional requirement(s) by either the symbol or statement as identified in Table 5.1.6. Where the symbol is used to identify compliance with the optional requirement(s), the statement shall be included in the user information to explain that symbol. All letters shall be at least 2.5 mm ($\frac{3}{32}$ in.) high.

Table 5.1.6 Label Symbols for Work Apparel

<u>Optional Requirement</u>	<u>Compliance Statement</u>	<u>Symbol</u>
7.2 Optional Requirements for Flame-Resistant Work Apparel	THIS GARMENT MEETS THE OPTIONAL FLAME RESISTANCE REQUIREMENTS OF NFPA 1975-2019.	FR
7.4 7.3 Optional Requirements for Water-Resistant Work Apparel	THIS GARMENT MEETS THE OPTIONAL WATER RESISTANCE REQUIREMENTS OF NFPA 1975-2019.	WR
7.5 7.4 Optional Requirements for Insect Repellent Work Apparel	THIS GARMENT MEETS THE OPTIONAL INSECT REPELLENT REQUIREMENTS OF NFPA 1975-2019.	IR

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