

## PRE-USE INFORMATION

VIDAFOR protective gloves are designed to provide limited protection against injuries to the hand when properly worn. They are for conventional fire fighting and safe for use **ONLY** by trained, experienced Fire Fighters who use caution at **ALL TIMES**.

The user of protective gloves must have the background and training necessary to select the right product. Chief Technologies LLC has no control over how the customer may them to use.

For additional marking of gloves, use **ONLY** permanent marker products. **DO NOT** use heat transfers or bonding of any kind.

Performance properties of this glove specified in the NFPA standards cannot be tested by the user in the field. Inspect gloves regularly.

If substandard performance is due to a manufacturing defect, Chief Technologies LLC will replace the glove or the gloves. Defective products must be returned to Chief Technologies LLC for evaluation by our Quality Control Department.

Chief Technologies LLC warrants that its fire fighter gloves are free from defects in material and workmanship for the useful life of the product. This warranty specifically excludes accidental damage (acid, tears from sharp objects, etc.), intentional or unintentional abuse, natural disasters, damage caused by disregard of care instructions, and normal wear. In order to maximize the useful life of these products and maintain the warranty, the products are to be used only by appropriately trained personnel following proper firefighting or emergency response techniques and in accordance with the product's warnings, inspection, maintenance, care storage and retirement instructions. Failure to do so will void the warranty.

## PREPARATION FOR USE

Chief Technologies LLC offers protective gloves in multiple sizes. Only wear gloves of a suitable size. Gloves which are either too loose or too tight will restrict movement and will not provide the optimum level of protection. The size of the protective gloves is marked on the inside label. Gloves are available in the following sizes:

## INSPECTION

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Damaged or contaminated gloves must be discarded and replaced. No protective glove can provide optimum protection from all conditions. Use extreme care for all emergency operations. Never use a damaged product. Failure to comply with these instructions may result in serious injury or death.

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## FIRE PAW™



## FIRE CLAW™

NFPA size	64N	70N	70W	76N	76W	82N	82W	82XW
Manufacturer size	XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	XXXL

## MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

Hand wash with a mild soap and water. DO NOT use chlorine bleach. Tumble dry on a cool setting or shape the glove and air dry. Excess water may be squeezed (NOT wrung) from the leather. DO NOT wear gloves that have not been thoroughly cleaned. Allow gloves to dry after each use or cleaning. Store gloves in a cool dry place.

Gloves may be brushed after use and/or cleaning to remove surface dirt and receive the nap of the leather outer shell.

Decontaminate or dispose of gloves in accordance with procedures set forth for the environment to which the glove has been exposed. Proper decontamination of your protective gloves will depend on the type and extent of contamination. If your protective gloves become contaminated with blood or body fluids, immediately isolate the gloves, and inform your supervisor, department, or organization. Your protective gloves must be subjected to an advanced cleaning using specialized procedures. If your protective gloves become contaminated with chemicals or other hazardous substances, immediately isolate the gloves, and remove them from service, taking care not to cross-contaminate other clothing items. Immediately inform your supervisor, department, or organization. Do not wear protective gloves that were contaminated until verification has been provided that your protective gloves are free from contamination.

Do not attempt to repair your gloves. If damaged, report the damage to your supervisor, department, or organization and obtain a new set of gloves as a replacement.

## DONNING/DOFFING

Put gloves on securely by using pull area at wristlet or glove body. Do not pull-on hem material. For maximum fingertip dexterity, ensure that the middle three fingers reach the ends of the fingertips of the glove body. Remove gloves carefully. Only wear gloves that properly interface with coat sleeves.

## RETIREMENT AND DISPOSAL

The decision for the continued service of your protective gloves must be made by a qualified individual within your department or organization. If you have any doubts about your protective gloves and their condition, immediately bring this matter to the attention of your supervisor, department, or organization. Protective gloves that are no longer deemed serviceable for reasons of damage, contamination, or other unsafe condition must be disposed of in a manner (such as cutting them in unusable pieces) whereby the gloves cannot be reused.

The moisture barrier has not been evaluated for all chemicals that can be encountered during fire fighting operations. Information related to the effects of chemical exposure on the moisture barrier are to be evaluated per the inspection procedures in NFPA 1851.

Proper use must be consistent with NFPA 1500, Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program, and 29 CFR 1910.132, General Requirements of Subpart I, Personal Protective Equipment.

Save these instructions for reference. READ THE PRE-USE INFORMATION, PREPARATION FOR USE, DONNING/DOFFING, INSPECTION, AND MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. If you have further questions, please contact us.