MISSION-ORIENTED PROTECTIVE POSTURES (MOPP)





Field Gear consists of helmet, web belt, canteen, and, if issued, body armor (WORN OVER THE OVERGARMENT). Carry or keep at hand protective equipment such as M8/M9 paper, Nerve agent antidotes, and decontamination kits.







If "All Clear, MOPP 0" is announced, web belt and canteen may be worn if desired.
 Only the installation commander directs the MOPP levels and variations listed above. Modifications to MOPPs and variations must be approved by MAJCOM or Theater commander.



| MOPP LEVEL 0 | MOPP LEVEL 1 | MOPP LEVEL 2 | MOPP LEVEL 3 | MOPP LEVEL 4 | MOPP LEVEL ALPHA |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|
| WORN ¹ | WORN | WORN | WORN | WORN | WORN |
| ◆ MASK ◆ FIELD GEAR ^{2,3} | ◆ OVERGARMENT ◆ FIELD GEAR ² ◆ MASK CARRIER | ◆ OVERGARMENT | ◆ OVERGARMENT ◆ MASK/HOOD ◆ FOOTWEAR COVERS | ◆ OVERGARMENT ◆ MASK/HOOD ◆ FIELD GEAR² ◆ GLOVES | MASK/HOOD → GLOVES FIELD GEAR² |
| AVAILABLE | CARRIED ³ | CARRIED ³ | CARRIED ³ | CARRIED ³ | CARRIED ³ |
| IPE ISSUED, PREPARED, AND AVAILABLE WITHIN 5 MINUTES | FOOTWEAR COVERS MASK/HOOD GLOVES | MASK/HOOD GLOVES | GLOVES | | OVERGARMENT FOOTWEAR COVERS |
| PRIMARY USE | PRIMARY USE | PRIMARY USE | PRIMARY USE | PRIMARY USE | LIKELY USE |
| CB THREAT PRE-ATTACK | CB THREAT PRE-ATTACK | CB THREAT PRE-ATTACK | CB THREAT TRANS/POST ATTACK | CB THREAT TRANS/POST ATTACK | CB THREAT TRANS/POST ATTACK |
| - DURING PERIODS OF INCREASED ALERT WHEN ENEMY HAS CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL EMPLOYMENT CAPABILITY BUT THERE IS NO INDICATION OF USE IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. | - CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL ATTACK IN THEATER IS POSSIBLE | - CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL ATTACK IN THEATER IS PROBABLE | - IN AREAS WITH NEGLIGIBLE CONTACT HAZARD | WHEN THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF CB PROTECTION IS REQUIRED WHEN PERSISTENT CHEMICAL AGENTS ARE PRESENT WHEN CB AGENTS ARE PRESENT; THE ACTUAL HAZARD HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED | - UPWIND FROM A NEGLIGIBLE CHEMICAL VAPOR HAZARD AGENT BIOLOGICAL WARFARE AGENTS ARE BEING EMPLOYED - INSIDE VEHICLES, BUILDINGS OR AIRCRAFT - UNDER NUCLEAR FALLOUT CONDITIONS |
| VARIATIONS⁴: Authorized variations include: Ventilation, No BDUs, and Mask-Only. | Ventilation - Open Overgarment: In some cases, personnel may, with little risk, open the overgarment jacket to aid ventilation and reduce thermal build-up. This variation is automatically revoked with each MOPP level increase, unless specifically reauthorized by the commander. No BDUs: Individuals, when directed, wear the overgarment over underwear when heat stress is expected to be a significant factor | | | | |
| NOTES: | | | Mask-Only: The mask, hood, and long sleeve duty to | uniform (for limited skin protection) may be worn. | |

Prescribed by AFMAN 32-4005 Supersedes AFVA 32-4012, 2 May 1994 Distribution: F