



Gortex Parkas

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Edmonton's Combat Engineer Regiment was warned earlier this month that static buildup caused by the new Gortex parka rubbing against its fleece liner could be hazardous for soldiers working with explosives. Apparently it is possible for a spark jumping from a parka setting off a detonator or exposed explosives. To avoid a potential incident the CAGC urges all seismic personnel working with explosives products that own and wear new Gortex parkas to immediately remove the fleece liners.

Electrostatic build-up tests are now being carried out on the fleece/Gortex combination and until they are proven safe all liners should be removed.