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Team Wendy Introduces the EXFIL® Endurance Ballistic Helmet, Engineered to Reduce the Burden of Extended Wear

No-thru-hole shell technology meets advanced impact protection, comfort and fit

CLEVELAND, Ohio – Oct. 22, 2026 – Team Wendy®, a leader in head protection systems for global defense and law enforcement, today announced the **EXFIL® Endurance, its newest lightweight ballistic helmet** engineered to deliver protection, comfort and fit during demanding, extended operations.

The EXFIL Endurance reflects the complementary capabilities brought together following Avon Protection's 2020 acquisitions of Team Wendy and Ceradyne's ballistic protection business:

- At its core is a ballistic shell made from ultra-high-molecular-weight polyethylene (UHMWPE), a low-density material that **combines high strength and energy absorption with low weight**. The complete helmet system weighs approximately **2.29 pounds** and is available in **Black, MultiCam®, Coyote Brown** and **Ranger Green**.

- The shell incorporates Ceradyne™ Ballistic Technology with a **no-thru-hole design** and mechanically fastened rails and shroud, eliminating penetrations through the ballistic material. Patented Seamless Shell construction separately preserves fiber continuity to support **consistent performance across the shell**.

- EXFIL Endurance also features the EXFIL AIR FIT Liner with patented ZORBIUM® Foam Technology, developed through extensive research into traumatic brain injury prevention to provide **industry-leading impact protection, comfort and breathability**. The liner incorporates integrated air channels, cooling fabric and the same cooling pads used in Team Wendy's RIFLETECH™ ballistic helmet to help manage heat during extended wear.

- Complementing the liner, the CAM FIT® Precision Retention System uses cable support, a BOA® rear dial and CAM FIT® locks to provide **exceptional comfort, stability and all-day wearability**.

"There is a cumulative effect from carrying weight on your head for hours at a time. It can contribute to fatigue and ultimately affect how focused you are on the task in front of you," said Daron Shank, Product Category Director at Team Wendy. "Reducing that burden has real value, but it has to be achieved without sacrificing ballistic performance.

"That same thinking carries through to the Endurance helmet's no-thru-hole shell technology. By avoiding penetrations through the ballistic material, we can help preserve shell integrity while still providing a stable platform for mission equipment."

Protection by the Numbers

The EXFIL Endurance is engineered to address multiple types of impact, with published performance against both ballistic and blunt-impact requirements. It meets **NIJ III-A/HG2 according to NIJ STD 0106.01/0108.01** and demonstrates a **17-grain V50 of at least 2,400 ft/s (731 m/s)**.

The helmet also shows **backface deformation of less than 25.4 mm at all locations** when tested with 9mm FMJ RN rounds at 1,195 ft/s (365 m/s) and exceeds the **ACH Blunt Impact Requirement AR/PD10-02, 16Dec'13**. Together, these results illustrate the breadth of protective performance achieved across varied threat conditions.

Fit and Function

Equipment integration is built into the EXFIL Endurance through a low-profile, reinforced polycarbonate reverse-dovetail rail system designed for broad accessory compatibility. An NVG shroud with updated shock cords helps stabilize night-vision equipment, while a Velcro® pattern designed by tactical operators provides dedicated space for cable management, identifiers and other attachments. Together, those features give operators multiple ways to configure the helmet around the equipment they carry.

“The more you add to it, the more those details matter,” said Shank. “The helmet still needs to feel stable, balanced and manageable. We paid close attention to how each element integrates so everything feels like part of one complete setup.”

The EXFIL Endurance reflects Team Wendy’s broader investment in the science behind head protection. Ongoing research into traumatic brain injury prevention, materials science and real-world impact performance informs how the company evaluates shell construction, liner technologies and complete helmet systems. That work continues to shape product development across the portfolio and Team Wendy’s pursuit of better protection, comfort and performance in the field.

For more information, visit teamwendy.com.

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About Team Wendy®

Team Wendy, part of the Avon Technologies PLC group of brands, provides exceptional head protection systems designed from the inside out for those who risk their lives every day. Founded in 1997, our Cleveland-based company places a strong focus on the prevention of traumatic brain injury (TBI) in honor of the company’s namesake, Wendy Moore, who died tragically from a TBI following a ski accident.

As a leading supplier of helmet systems for military, law enforcement, search and rescue, and adventure sports, Team Wendy is steadfast in our dedication to the pursuit of improving head protection research, design and development, bringing more choice, better technology and reliable customer service to the industry.

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