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# The Armor Buyer's Guide

Who makes and supplies body armor at the show, where they stand on the floor, and what they have on the NIJ Compliant Products List.



**101**
armor companies exhibiting

**574**
of their models on the NIJ list

**2**
zones where armor clusters

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

# The show in five findings

SHOT Show lists 2,545 booths. 101 of the exhibitors are armor companies on ArmorList: makers, materials suppliers and distributors of body armor and the parts around it. This is where they stand and what they bring.

**1** **Armor clusters in two zones.**

In the 30000s rows one in five booths is an armor company, and in the 60000s one in six. Across the whole floor it is one in 27.

**20%** of 30000s booths

**2** **Three makers lead on NIJ-listed models.**

Slate Solutions, Survival Armor and Velocity Systems carry 166 of the 574 models that exhibitors have on the NIJ Compliant Products List.

**29%** of 574 models

**3** **The supply chain is on the floor.**

Fabrics, webbing, buckles, coatings and fibers: 30 armor exhibitors sit in the 51000 and 52000 supplier rows.

**30** in the supplier rows

**4** **Few list a public contract vehicle.**

13 exhibitors list NASPO, GSA or another vehicle on ArmorList. For the rest, ask how they sell to agencies.

**13** of 101 exhibitors

**5** **Mostly U.S. companies, with real reach abroad.**

80 are U.S. companies; others come from China, Germany, Mexico, India and more. 38 report being ITAR compliant.

**80** U.S. companies

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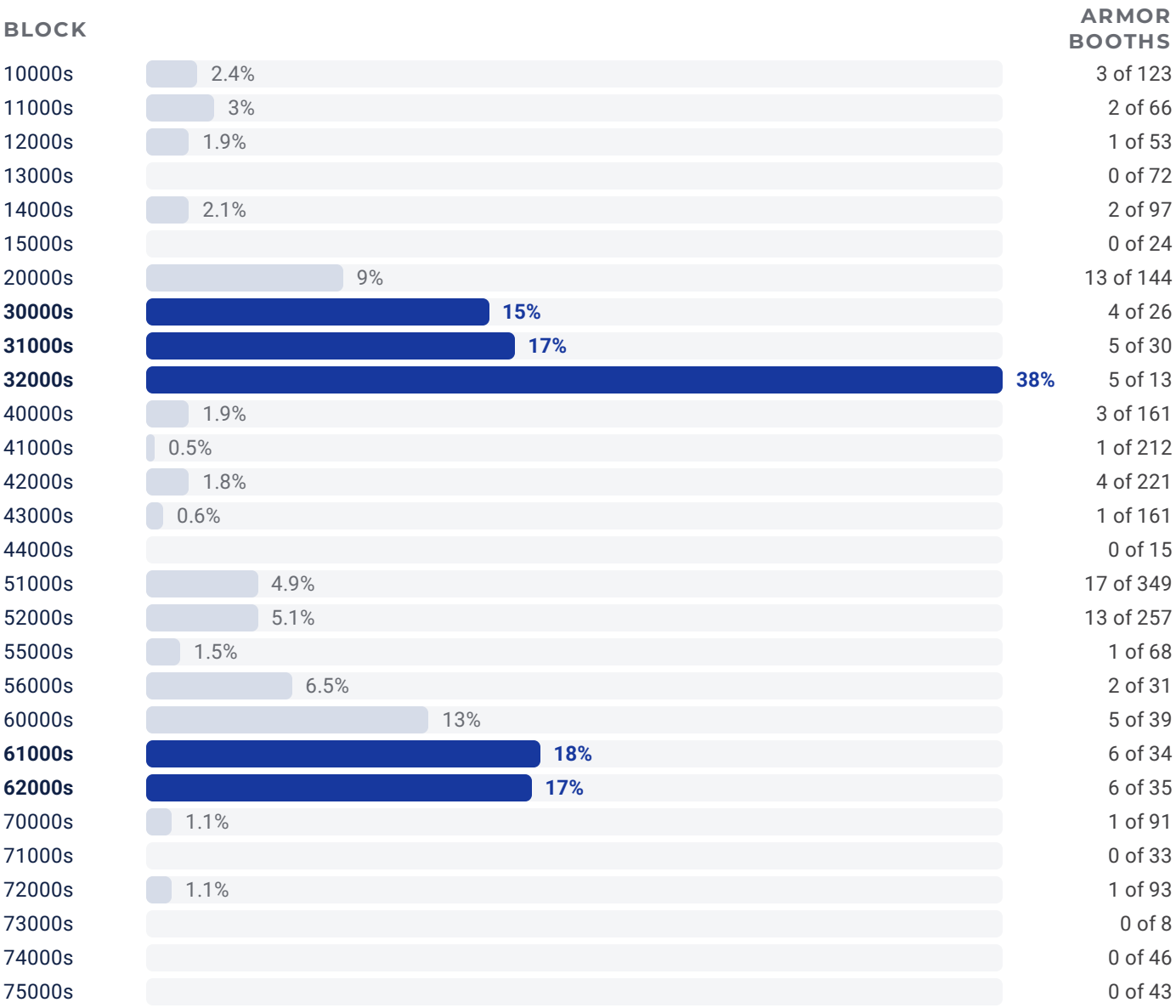
Where armor stands

Sources: SHOT Show 2027 exhibitor list, read Nov 21, 2026; ArmorList catalog; the NIJ Compliant Products List. Booth counts are booth slots; a company may hold more than one.

EXHIBIT 1

# Armor clusters in two zones: the 30000s and the 60000s rows

Share of booths in each block held by an armor company on ArmorList




**20%**
30000s: 14 of 69 booths. Survival Armor, First Spear, Shellback Tactical, HighCom Armor Solutions, DFNDR Armor.

**16%**
60000s: 17 of 108 booths. Slate Solutions, Velocity Systems, Covert Armor International, Angel Armor, Premier Body Armor.

**3.8%**
The whole floor: 96 of 2,545 booths.

Source: SHOT Show 2027 exhibitor list (booth numbers), read Nov 21, 2026, matched to the ArmorList catalog. Blocks are booth-number ranges, not halls.

EXHIBIT 2

# Who holds the NIJ-listed models at the show

Models on the NIJ Compliant Products List, by exhibitor, with booth and the contract vehicles they list

| EXHIBITOR | NIJ-LISTED MODELS | BOOTH | BUY THROUGH |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Slate Solutions** | 56 (3 on 0101.07) | 61511 | GSA Multiple Award Schedule (MAS), NASPO |
| **Survival Armor** | 56 (2 on 0101.07) | 31211 | NASPO |
| **Velocity Systems** | 54 (1 on 0101.07) | 62411 | Not listed |
| GH Armor Systems | 52 | 20613 | GSA Multiple Award Schedule (MAS), NASPO |
| Safariland | 49 (3 on 0101.07) | 11268 +1 | NASPO |
| U.S. Armor | 45 | 12215 | Sourcewell (NJPA) |
| First Spear | 36 | 32111 | Not listed |
| Shellback Tactical | 29 (1 on 0101.07) | 31402 | Not listed |
| Covert Armor International | 28 | 62007 | Not listed |
| HighCom Armor Solutions | 20 (4 on 0101.07) | 30306 | GSA Multiple Award Schedule (MAS), Sourcewell (NJPA) |
| DFNDR Armor | 19 | 31502 | Not listed |
| Hesco Armor | 17 (1 on 0101.07) | 32513 | Not listed |
| Spartan Armor Systems | 17 | 42935 | Other |
| WarBird Protection Group | 15 (4 on 0101.07) | 10062 | Not listed |
| North American Rescue | 13 (2 on 0101.07) | 20309 | Not listed |
| Angel Armor | 12 | 61203 | NASPO |
| Premier Body Armor | 12 | 61106 | Not listed |
| MKU Limited | 8 | 40960 | Not listed |
| Propper International | 8 | 60311 | Not listed |
| Shaw Concepts | 8 (1 on 0101.07) | 60511 | Not listed |
| Executive Defense Internatio… | 4 | 42622 | Not listed |
| Safe Life Defense | 4 | 20535 | Not listed |

## FIVE QUESTIONS FOR THE BOOTH

1. Which of your models are on the NIJ list today, and to which standard?
2. What is your plan for NIJ Standard 0101.07?
3. Which sizes and cuts, including female-specific, are on the list?
4. Which contract vehicles can my agency buy through?

**How to read it.** A model on the NIJ Compliant Products List is a record, not our claim: check the model, the standard it was tested to and its status on the company's ArmorList profile. 28 of the 30 are U.S. companies. 24 of the models are tested to

STANDARDS

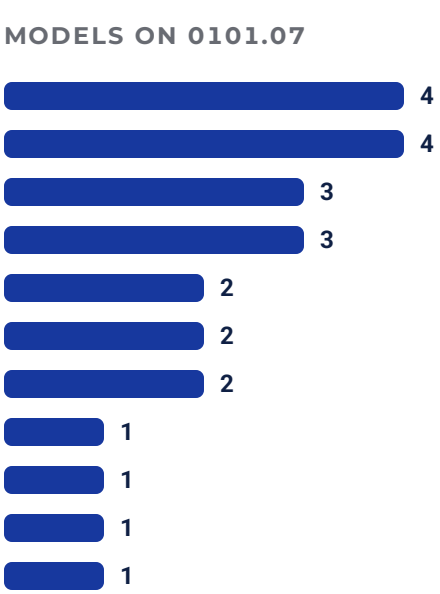
# Eleven exhibitors have models tested to NIJ 0101.07

Models on the NIJ Compliant Products List tested to the new 0101.07 standard, by exhibitor

**24**
models tested to 0101.07, from exhibitors at the show

**4.2%**
of the 574 NIJ-listed models exhibitors hold

**11 of 30**
exhibitors with NIJ-listed models have one on 0101.07




| EXHIBITOR | MODELS ON 0101.07 | BOOTH | OF ITS NIJ-LISTED MODELS |
|---|---|---|---|
| **HighCom Armor Solutions** | 4 | **30306** | 4 of 20 |
| **WarBird Protection Group** | 4 | **10062** | 4 of 15 |
| **Safariland** | 3 | **11268** | 3 of 49 |
| **Slate Solutions** | 3 | **61511** | 3 of 56 |
| **Impact Innovations** | 2 | **51626** | 2 of 2 |
| **North American Rescue** | 2 | **20309** | 2 of 13 |
| **Survival Armor** | 2 | **31211** | 2 of 56 |
| **Hesco Armor** | 1 | **32513** | 1 of 17 |
| **Shaw Concepts** | 1 | **60511** | 1 of 8 |
| **Shellback Tactical** | 1 | **31402** | 1 of 29 |
| **Velocity Systems** | 1 | **62411** | 1 of 54 |

## ASK FOR THEIR 0101.07 PLAN

These exhibitors have models on the NIJ list, none of them tested to 0101.07 yet. Most NIJ-listed models at the show were tested to 0101.06.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| GH Armor Systems | **20613** | U.S. Armor | **12215** |
| First Spear | **32111** | Covert Armor International | **62007** |
| DFNDR Armor | **31502** | Spartan Armor Systems | **42935** |
| Angel Armor | **61203** | Premier Body Armor | **61106** |
| MKU Limited | **40960** | Propper International | **60311** |
| Executive Defense International Inc. (EDI-USA) | **42622** | Safe Life Defense | **20535** |

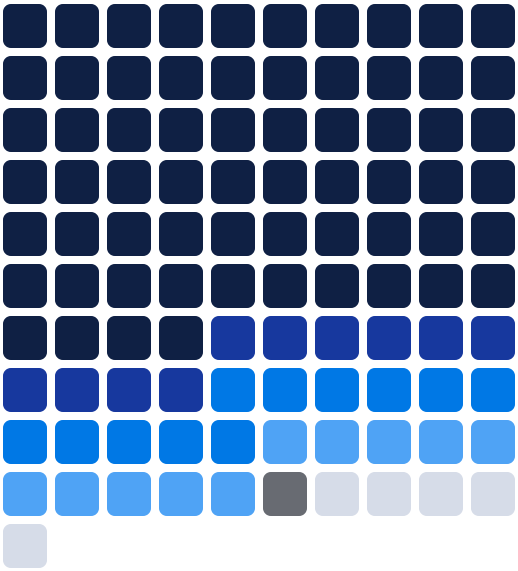
**What to ask at the booth.** Which of your models are tested to 0101.07, and to which threat levels? For the rest, when do you expect them on the list? The model's record on the NIJ list, not a brochure, is the proof.

Source: the NIJ Compliant Products List (Active models, by the standard each was tested to) through the ArmorList catalog, matched to the SHOT Show 2027 exhibitor list read Nov 21, 2026.

EXHIBIT 3

## Seven in ten exhibitors make armor themselves

The 101 armor exhibitors by how ArmorList classifies them. One square, one company.

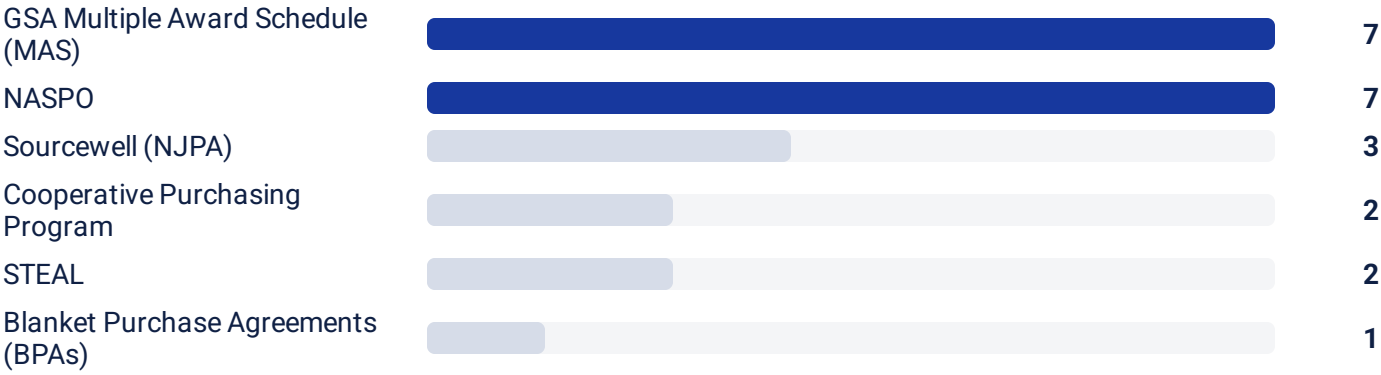


| | |
|---|---|
| Manufacturer | 64 |
| Manufacturer & Distributor | 10 |
| Materials Supplier | 11 |
| Reseller | 10 |
| Service Provider | 1 |
| Not classified yet | 5 |

EXHIBIT 4

## Only 13 list a public contract vehicle; ask the rest how they sell to agencies

Exhibitors that list each vehicle on ArmorList (a company may list several)




**88**
list no vehicle on ArmorList

**20**
list a quality certification, most often ISO 9001

**38**
report being ITAR compliant

Source: ArmorList catalog (classification, contract vehicles, certifications, ITAR), for the exhibitors on the SHOT Show 2027 list.

FUNDING

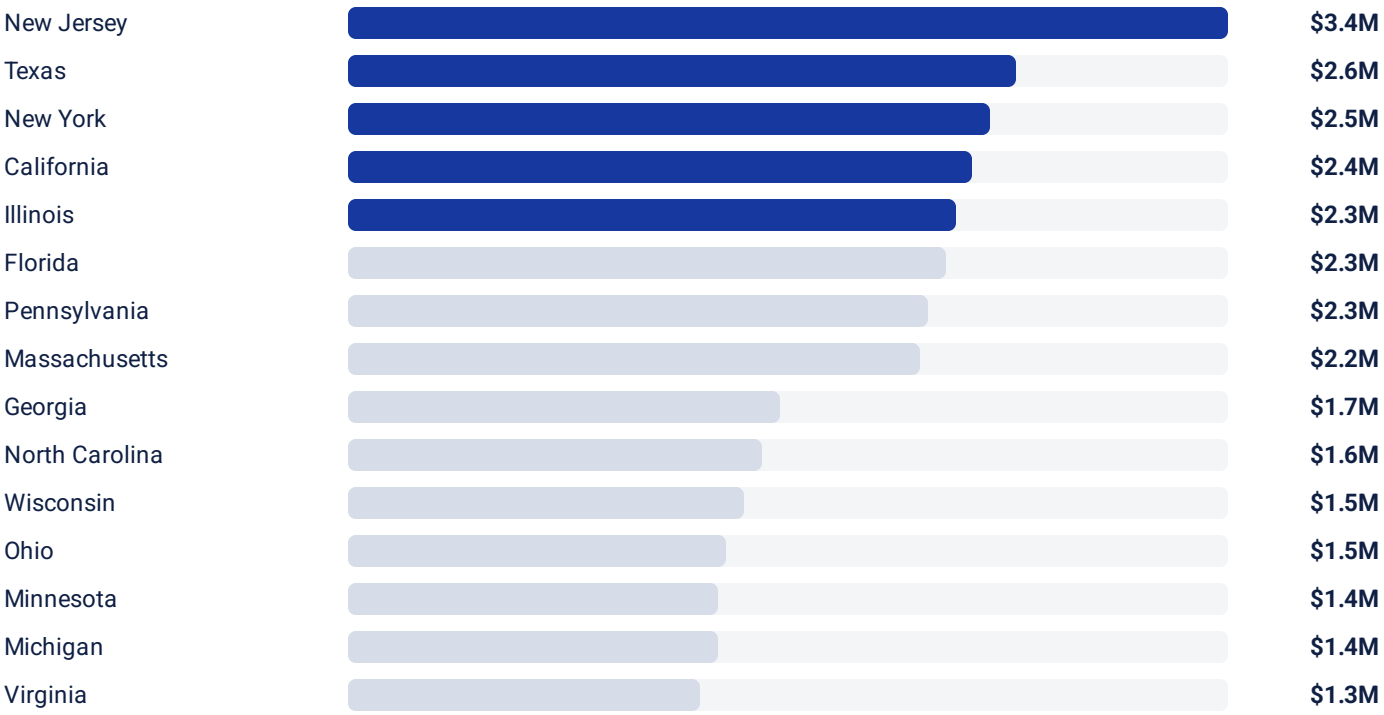
# $48.6M in federal vest awards in FY 2024 and FY 2025; five states took 27%

The Bulletproof Vest Partnership: what BJA awarded, by the recipient jurisdiction's state

**$23.9M**
awarded in FY 2024

**$24.8M**
awarded in FY 2025

**5,193**
jurisdictions awarded in these years




## THE LARGEST RECIPIENTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Myrtle Beach City, SC | $108,772 |
| Atlantic City, NJ | $94,979 |
| Lynchburg City, VA | $88,349 |
| Boca Raton City, FL | $84,443 |
| Union City, NJ | $81,292 |
| Springdale City, AR | $80,758 |
| Deerfield Beach City, FL | $80,730 |
| Hammond City, IN | $79,505 |

**Why it matters on the floor.** BVP pays up to half the cost of eligible vests, as a reimbursement after the agency buys. An agency with an award is a buyer with budget: ask the makers which of their models qualify, and how they support the paperwork. The awards by year and state, and the largest recipients, are on ArmorList.

Source: Bureau of Justice Assistance, Bulletproof Vest Partnership award lists, FY 2024 and FY 2025. Amounts are the federal share only.

PLAN YOUR ROUTE

# All 101 armor companies, in walking order

By booth number. Bold: models on the NIJ list. A name opens the ArmorList profile; a booth number, the official SHOT Show page. Scan the code on the back to carry it on your phone.

| 10000s | 8 |
|---|---|
| **WarBird Protection Group** | **10062** |
| **Voodoo Tactical Group** | **10170** |
| Lenco Armored Vehicles | **10916** |
| **Safariland** | **11268** |
| High Speed Gear Products Gr… | **11427** |
| **U.S. Armor** | **12215** |
| ATS Group | **14253** |
| Oehler Research | **14633** |

| 20000s | 13 |
|---|---|
| Patriot3 | **20017** |
| FoxFury | **20054** |
| Busch PROtective USA | **20227** |
| Super Seer | **20261** |
| **North American Rescue** | **20309** |
| Blue Force Gear | **20405** |
| U.S. Tactical Supply | **20436** |
| **Power Hit** | **20458** |
| **Safe Life Defense** | **20535** |
| Galvion Ballistics | **20541** |
| 10-24 Products | **20607** |
| **GH Armor Systems** | **20613** |
| Armor Research Company | **20662** |

| 30000s | 14 |
|---|---|
| Brookwood Companies | **30003** |
| **Ace Link Industrial** | **30012** |
| **Spiritus Systems** | **30109** |
| **HighCom Armor Solutions** | **30306** |
| Agilite | **31000** |
| **Survival Armor** | **31211** |
| DSM Safety Products | **31307** |
| **Shellback Tactical** | **31402** |
| **DFNDR Armor** | **31502** |
| Atlantic Diving Supply (ADS) | **32103** |
| **First Spear** | **32111** |
| S&S Precision | **32211** |
| **Crye Precision** | **32403** |
| **Hesco Armor** | **32513** |

| 40000s | 9 |
|---|---|
| Ta Hsin Long Textile | **40216** |
| Baker Ballistics | **40507** |
| **MKU Limited** | **40960** |
| Delta Defense Technology | **41955** |
| Dongguan Hemao Plastic Pro… | **42155** |
| **Executive Defense Internation…** | **42622** |
| **Caddin** | **42841** |
| **Spartan Armor Systems** | **42935** |
| Total Security Solutions | **43950** |

| 50000s | 33 |
|---|---|
| Osmar Buckle | **51004** |
| TVF | **51014** |
| Murdock Webbing Company | **51140** |
| Jingye Textile Technology | **51212** |
| Bally Ribbon Mills | **51238** |
| MMI Textiles | **51430** |
| Dimension Polyant | **51441** |
| Diversitex | **51511** |
| Gerald Schwartz | **51605** |
| Creative Electron | **51611** |
| **Impact Innovations** | **51626** |
| JNI Armor | **51637** |
| HLC Industries | **51700** |
| Carr Textile | **51710** |
| Apex Mills | **51712** |
| Advantage Label & Packaging | **51809** |
| Sawgrass Industries | **51920** |
| Fasnap | **52003** |
| Paiho North America | **52029** |
| Franz Barta | **52107** |
| FlexTech | **52126** |
| BioThane Coated Webbing | **52129** |
| Tape Craft | **52230** |
| SX Industries | **52239** |
| Ykk (U.S.A.) | **52331** |
| CORDURA® Advanced Fabrics | **52400** |
| Spunfab | **52404** |
| John Howard Company | **52429** |
| Quality Thread & Notions | **52541** |
| Simil Cuero Plymouth | **52611** |
| U-Long High-Tech Textile | **55626** |
| CPS Technologies | **56021** |
| Halco USA | **56130** |

| 60000s | 17 |
|---|---|
| ArmorIQ | **60302** |
| CS Composites Solutions | **60307** |
| **Propper International** | **60311** |
| Arms Unlimited | **60406** |
| **Shaw Concepts** | **60511** |
| **Premier Body Armor** | **61106** |
| **Angel Armor** | **61203** |
| Solstice Advanced Materials | **61303** |
| **Longfri Technologies Co.** | **61406** |
| Fenicks Group | **61503** |
| **Slate Solutions** | **61511** |
| ArmorSource | **62004** |
| **Covert Armor International** | **62007** |
| Safeware | **62008** |
| Schuberth | **62010** |
| Safe-Pro Usa | **62206** |
| **Velocity Systems** | **62411** |

| 70000s | 2 |
|---|---|
| Burn Proof Gear | **70453** |
| 5.11 | **72448** |

| Booth to come | 5 |
|---|---|
| Csk Zipper & Webbing | **TBA** |
| Father Son Industry | **TBA** |
| Japonica Tactical Enterprises | **TBA** |
| Kali Protectives | **TBA** |
| Solcera | **TBA** |

ARMORLIST™

# The show lasts four days. ArmorList is open all year.

Every company in this guide keeps a profile on ArmorList: its products, its models on the NIJ list, the contract vehicles it sells through, and a way to reach it after the show.

## armorlist.com/shot-show-2027

The live directory: booths as they change, your route on your phone, and the companies' profiles.

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### ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Booth numbers come from the SHOT Show 2027 exhibitor list, read Nov 21, 2026, and may change; confirm at shotshow.org. This guide covers body armor and the companies that supply its materials and components; it is not the complete list of SHOT Show exhibitors, which is in the official SHOT Show exhibitor list. Company facts and NIJ Compliant Products List records come from the ArmorList catalog. A listing is a record, never a certification claim by ArmorList. Generated Nov 22, 2026.

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