

# Classic C34

## Frequently Asked Questions



### Will the C34 fit my head?

The Model C34 was designed to fit wearers who have head sizes/shapes in the 99th percentile. However, the C34 also provides a comfortable and stable fit for wearers with a variety of large and small sizes. The larger size of the C34 also offers greater airflow due to the larger space inside the shell. The Flex-Gear ratchet or pinlock suspension allows the hat to fit a variety of head sizes.

### What hat size corresponds to this hat and suspension?

Bullard suspensions can adjust to a hat size of 8 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>. However, data shows that providing the most comfortable fit requires taking both head circumference and head shape into consideration.

Wearing a hard hat is much different than wearing a baseball cap. A hard hat suspension sits on the head in a different place than a baseball cap or other hat.

The C34 is engineered with suspension key slots that sit further away from the head. This design provides added comfort to the wearer. **See figure 1.**

### Which replacement suspension should I purchase for my C34?

The C34 was designed to fit all Bullard Classic-style suspensions, for easy versatility.

### Does the C34 provide additional airflow?

The C34 model's spacious interior allows for increased airflow. As air moves in and out of the shell, the wearer experiences a cooler feeling inside the hat. This design feature offers a benefit to wearer's larger head sizes, as well as smaller sizes.

**See figure 2.**

### What safety standards does the C34 conform to?

The C34 conforms to all OSHA standards and meets/exceeds ANSI Z89.1 2009, Type I, Class E and G requirements, including impact, penetration and electrical.

### Are there any accessories available for the C34?

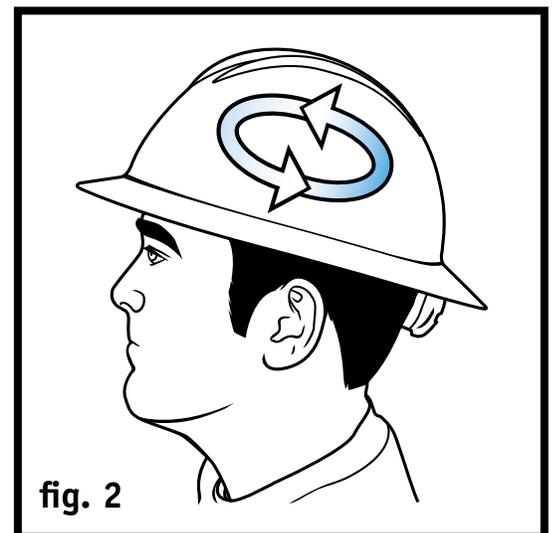
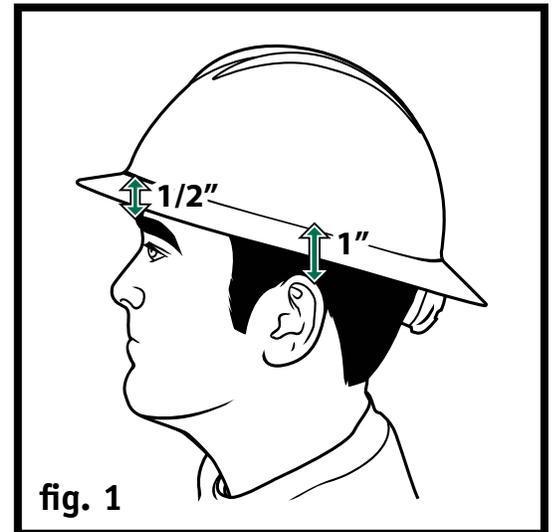
Accessories that are compatible with the Classic full brim style hats are also compatible with the C34. These include: stripes, visors, pad printed logos, and a variety of other accessories.

### Can I paint the C34?

Never paint the C34 helmet. Paint may damage the helmet's shell, thereby reducing the degree of protection originally provided.

### Can I drill a hole in the C34 to attach hearing protection or other accessories that are not manufactured by Bullard?

Use only Bullard's accessories with the C34. The use of non-approved accessories and/or modifications to Bullard accessories or helmets can reduce the helmet's protection levels. This reduction in protection level could cause injury or death.



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### Can I use stickers or tape on the C34 Helmets?

The use of self-adhesive stickers by individual users to “personalize” their hard hats or for other marking or identification purposes is a common practice. Because of the type of adhesive used in typical pressure-sensitive stickers, there is very little potential for chemical interaction between the adhesive and the helmet shell, and their use would not be expected to negatively affect the performance of the helmet under normal conditions. Adhesive stickers should be placed at least 3/4-inch away from the edge of the helmet, and the area of the helmet covered in this way should be kept to a practical minimum to permit regular inspection of the helmet shell for signs of damage from use or aging.

### Can I engrave my name in the C34?

The practice of engraving identification data on the underside of the brim of the helmet will not adversely affect the helmet’s performance; however, this engraving must be restricted to the brim only. Any engraving or modification of the helmet shell material in the crown area above the intersection between the crown and brim, or in the vicinity of the suspension key sockets, may result in failure of the helmet to provide protection in an impact and could result in injury or death.

### Does C34 carry any kind of warranty?

Bullard hard hats and caps have a two year warranty from date of manufacture. As long as the product is stored properly, according to manufacturer’s recommendations, the actual “useful life” of the hard hat does not begin until the helmet is placed in service. For more detailed information on warranties and replacement guidelines, refer to the Bullard Industrial Head Protection User Information Guide. For additional information, contact Bullard Customer Service at 877-BULLARD (285-5273).

### How do I field test the C34?

Compress the shell inward from the sides about 1-inch (2.5 cm) with both hands and then release the pressure without dropping the shell. The shell should quickly return to its original shape, exhibiting elasticity. Compare the elasticity of the sample with that of a new shell. If the sample does not exhibit elasticity similar to that of a new shell, or if it cracks due to brittleness, it should be replaced immediately.

As with the shell, the suspension must also be inspected and replaced periodically. Over a period of time, the suspension will become worn and may become damaged. Suspensions should be inspected closely for cracks, frayed or cut crown straps, torn headband or size adjustment slots, loss of pliability or other signs of wear. These conditions can be caused by perspiration, hair oils or normal wear. Any suspension that is damaged must be removed from service and replaced immediately.

It is recommended to replace the entire suspension system every 12 months.

### Is there any way to tell how old a hard hat is?

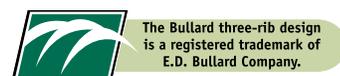
The date code indicates when the hat was molded. Date codes are molded into the hat shell and they specify the following: day, month; and year the hat was molded.

The large arrow inside the “Month / Year” circle points to the month, and the two digits inside that inner circle indicate the year. The arrow inside of the “Day” circle points to day of month. Depending on what model hard hat / cap you have you may find the date code in one of two locations on the hat, on the inside of the shell or the underside front brim of the hat / cap. It is recommended to replace hard hats every five years regardless of condition.

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