

## COMPLETELY READ AND UNDERSTAND BEFORE USING THIS HOOD

### WARNING

DO NOT USE this hood until you have read and understood all provisions of this User Guide and the labels sewn onto the hood. TO BE REMOVED ONLY BY THE END USER

## Pre-use information

The PBH99 hood is designed for structural firefighting operations and provides limited protection to the head and neck areas when properly worn with helmet, coat, and SCBA. No hood offers complete protection from the hazards of firefighting. Repeated use, heat, abrasion and contamination will affect the protective properties of the hood, and replacement may be necessary. It is the user's responsibility to become familiar with the applicable NFPA standards regarding safety and protective clothing; and to determine the type of hazards that will be encountered to ensure proper personal protective equipment is worn. It is recommended that you work with your employer or fire department to determine the level of protection required for your activities. This information is intended for use by persons who have had the technical training needed to evaluate hoods for specific use conditions. Use of this hood is at your own discretion and risk. Performance properties of this hood cannot be tested by the user in the field.

### WARNING

Use extreme care for all emergency operations. PBH99 is not intended as protection for proximity, approach or fire entry applications, or as protection against radiological agents, electrical shock, or hazardous chemicals. Users must clean and maintain the hood only in accordance with the instructions listed below. Failure to comply with these warnings and instructions may result in serious injury, disease, illness, or death. Mark only with non-flammable ink. Bullard makes no warranty, guarantee, or other representations of any kind whatsoever, either express or implied, with regard to the equipment or regarding the extent of protection from chemical, bacterial, viral, or other potential hazards, including without limitation, those of merchantability, fitness for use, or of quality, design, condition, suitability, or performance.

## Preparation for Use

Store this hood in a cool, dry location away from sunlight, and away from harmful chemicals.

## Sizing

PBH99 hoods are offered in two (2) sizes and sizing for standard hoods is universal. Sizes are ML & XL.

## Donning

After donning bunker pants, pull the hood on over your head, smoothing down any wrinkles. Don the turnout coat and fully close the front and collar. Pull face opening of hood over your head and down to the top of your coat collar. Don the SCBA unit and face mask. Pull face opening of hood back over your head and securely fit face opening of hood around the SCBA mask ensuring a tight seal all around. Helmet may then be donned.



## Use

PBH99 hoods are to be used consistently with NFPA 1500, Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program, and 29CFR 1910.132, General Requirements of Subpart I, "Personal Protective Equipment." Your employer may provide supplemental instructions on proper hood use. Be alert to potential hazards that could penetrate the hood and cause serious injury.

## Maintenance and Cleaning

Do not use PBH99 hoods that have not been thoroughly cleaned and dried. Doing so could jeopardize your safety. **Do Not Use Bleach.** Chlorine bleach will significantly compromise the protection afforded by the textiles used in the construction of the hood. Machine or hand wash with warm water (not exceeding 40°C or 105°F) with mild detergent with a pH range between 6 and 10.5. Hang to dry, but do not hang in direct sunlight.

**Do Not Machine Dry. Do not use a hot iron. Do not wear a hood that is not thoroughly cleaned and dried.** Inspect the hood in accordance with these instructions. Any physical change in any component of this hood should be immediately referred to customer service to determine if the hood's protective qualities have been compromised.

## Retirement and disposal

The actual service life cycle of the PBH99 hood will vary depending upon how much it has been used and how well it has been cleaned and maintained. Dispose of the hood in accordance with local, state, and Federal regulations when it has been contaminated or has excessive soil, tears, broken seams, charring or the elastic around the face opening no longer fits snugly around your SCBA mask.

## Limited warranty

We warrant, for a TWELVE (12) month period starting from the date specified on an original sales invoice, that all hoods manufactured by Bullard will be free from defects in material and workmanship when used and maintained in accordance with acceptable firefighting, rescue or emergency procedures by appropriately trained personnel.

## WHAT IS COVERED

We will repair or replace, at our option, any hood that we determine to have a defect in material or workmanship.

## EXCLUSION

Damage resulting from misuse, abuse, neglect, modification, alteration or otherwise non-compliance with the instructions contained in the User Guide (including failure to respect and document proper maintenance and storage practices for the hood or any applicable laws, regulations, standards or best practices) is not covered under this limited warranty. No other damage will be covered, including shading, discoloration, color bleeding or runs, damage due to ultra violet rays or damage caused by improper cleaning.

We hereby disclaim any liability for any other damages or losses, including consequential, incidental, exemplary, punitive or other damages (Including, without limitation, any damages resulting from or arising from the repair or replacement of the hood by a third party, arising from the use of the hood or the inability to use the hood during the limited warranty coverage period).

**THIS WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ANY OTHER WARRANTY, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY WARRANTY, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. YOUR LOCAL LAWS MAY NOT AUTHORISE SUCH LIMITATIONS AND GRANT YOU OTHER SPECIFIC RIGHTS. IN THIS EVENT THIS LIMITATION SHALL BE DEEMED NULL AND VOID.**

## HOW TO HAVE LIMITED WARRANTY COVERAGE HONORED

All defects to your PBH99 hood must be declared to an authorized Bullard re-seller within 48 hours of occurrence. Once a defect has been deemed eligible Bullard will, at its discretion, repair or replace the hood.

All repairs or replacement to your PBH99 hood are deemed to have been made for cosmetic purpose only and have to be accepted by the user THREE (3) days after receipt of the hood.

All parts of a PBH99 hood that are repaired or replaced (or any components thereof) become the property of Bullard.

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