

# BHS Assessment Body Protector Guidelines 2026

Only body protectors to the following specification are acceptable at any BHS assessment where the use of body protectors is mandatory:

## A BETA Level 3 displaying a Blue 2018 Label

2000	2009	2018
		

Any other levels / dates are NOT acceptable\* and will not be allowed at any BHS assessment, where body protectors are mandatory. If a Label containing a correct date is not present, the body protector will not be accepted.



Please Note; these pictures are only intended for illustrating where the BETA label can often be found. A full list of BETA Level 3 body protectors can be obtained from [www.beta-uk.org](http://www.beta-uk.org)

- Where the use of a body protector is mandatory, air jackets are only permitted with the consent from the assessment centre.
- Air jackets may be worn without another body protector underneath only where the use of a body protector is not mandatory for that phase in accordance with point 1 above.
- Hybrid Air-Jackets (a manufactured Level 3 Body Protector and Air Jacket all-in-one) are permitted.
- Blouson jacket type air jackets are permitted in accordance with point 1 above.
- \*Exo Body Cage body protectors continue to be permitted (see below) but the candidate MUST inform the Chief Assessor due to the allen key system for removing them.

Air Jacket



Hybrid Air Jacket



Blouson Jacket



Exo Body Cage



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

\*The ONLY exception to the requirement for a BETA Level 3 2018 label is that Exo Body Cages will continue to be accepted, provided they have a BETA Level 3 2000 purple label.