Get a Custom Fit with the U-Fit System

Congratulations! Your helmet was designed with the U-Fit System, offering 22 custom comfort settings. Follow the instructions below to adjust the ride and balance of your helmet.

1. Try on your helmet and check the initial balance, fit and comfort by rotating your head.
2. Remove the Ear Neck Protector to better see how to adjust the back of the helmet.
3. Pop the dark colored “U Channel” (Figure 1) away from the black inner liner. There is one “U Channel” in the front of the helmet and one in the back of the helmet.
4. You can tailor the fit by adjusting the tabs, which control ride height, and posts, which control forward / backward / level balance.
5. Adjust the ride of your helmet. There are three tab positions on the “U Channel”: A, B, and C. Each of the tab positions affects the location of the ratchet by approximately one inch. For the tested “ride” on your head, position the tabs to “A”.
6. Adjust the balance of your helmet. There are two post positions, 1 and 2 on the “U Channel”. Change the post position to adjust helmet balance.
7. Next, try the helmet back on your head to see if the adjustments to the back of the helmet were helpful. You may want to make another round of adjustments as described above to maximize the balance and fit.

To raise or lower faceshield:
1. Release tension knobs found on both sides of the helmet.
2. Tighten knobs once faceshield is in desired position.

**NOTES**
- Performance properties of NFPA 1971, Standard on Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting cannot be tested by users in the field.
- NFPA 1971, Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program requires member who engage in or are exposed to the hazards of structural firefighting shall be provided with and shall use, a protective ensemble that shall meet the applicable requirements of NFPA 1971.
- The protective ensemble must be used by members only under direct supervision of their fire department or employer in a manner consistent with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132 General Requirements of Subpart I, Personal Protective Equipment.
- For information on NFPA 1851, Standard on Selection, Care and Maintenance of Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting and basic cleaning and inspection guidelines, visit www.bullard.com/trainonline.

**WARNING**
Read all instructions and warnings before wearing this helmet.

*Only the end user may separate this manual from the element. Manual must be removed prior to putting the helmet into service.

After removal from the wearer, the helmet should be inspected for damage and soiling after each use. The helmet should be adjusted by means of the adjustment points provided to permit a proper fit that does not interfere with the SCBA while in use. These adjustments should be done prior to actual structure fire fighting activities. Helmets damaged or deteriorated beyond economical repair should be removed from service.

Failure to follow these instructions could cause death or serious injury.

Instructions for Installing Aluminized Helmet Cover and Shroud

**Aluminized Helmet Cover Installation**
- Insert ratchet knobs clockwise until headband is at required tightness (Figure 2).
- Adjust the balance of your helmet. There are two post positions, 1 and 2 on the “U Channel”. Change the post position to adjust helmet balance.
- Place the helmet on your head and turn ratchet knob clockwise until headband is snug and comfortable.

**Aluminized Shroud Installation**
- Begin at rear of the helmet and snap shroud to the helmet cover.
- Make certain that chin strap is hanging inside the shroud after snapping to helmet cover.

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**Pre-Use Information**

**Marking Recommendation and Restrictions**
Use only accessory equipment of the type included in the original helmet or approved by Bullard. Using unauthorized accessories may dramatically change the performance of the helmet.

*All helmet markings (e.g. front identification shields, title tapes, decals, retro-reflective trim, etc.) must either be supplied by a Bullard authorized fire service distributor or authorized for use in writing by Bullard.*

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**Cleaning**

Remove shroud and helmet cover, headband, and crown straps. Clean inner and outer shells with mild soap or detergent. Wash the ear neck protector, headband, brow pad, crown pad, and crown straps in warm, soapy water and air dry at room temperature. Clean face shields with mild detergent, rinse thoroughly with clean water, and dry with a soft cloth.

Users should not wear helmets that are not thoroughly cleaned and dried.

**Contamination and Decontamination**
Special precautions must be taken if your protective helmet becomes contaminated with chemical or biological hazardous materials. The guidance for these precautions should be coordinated with the applicable local, state, and federal authorities having jurisdiction for hazardous materials (HAZMAT). Contaminated helmet ensembles should be isolated, contaminated(s) identified, and bodily contact should be avoided. Avoid spreading the contamination to interior spaces of buildings or vehicles, any living quarters, or personal belongings. If possible, seal the contaminated ensemble in a lock-proof, sealable, air tight container. Disposal should be done in adherence to local, state, and federal laws. If the helmet is to be reused, it MUST be decontaminated before reuse. Decontamination should be performed using procedures established by decontamination professionals that will remove contaminant(s) while minimizing damage or compromise to the helmet. Failure to do so could result in increased risk of injury, illness, disease, or death.

**CAUTION**

Users should not wear helmets that are not thoroughly cleaned and dried. Do not use solvents or paint thinners on Bullard helmets, as they could permanently mar surfaces or degrade the protective properties of helmet components. Failure to follow these instructions could result in damage to the helmet.
Bullard Fire Helmet Warranty

Bullard offers a best in class warranty. Bullard warrants to the original purchaser that the firefighter helmet and non-electronic components are free of defects in materials and workmanship under normal use and service for a period of five (5) years from the date of manufacture on the helmet shell and lifetime (as defined in NFPA 1851: 10 years) warranty on the non-electronic components. The Bullard obligation under this warranty is limited to repairing or replacing articles that are returned within the warranty period, shown to be defective after inspection by Bullard, and subject to the following limitations:

- Helmet must be returned to Bullard with shipping charges prepaid.
- Helmet must not have been abused, neglected or damaged in transport.
- In no event shall Bullard be responsible for consequential damages incurred by the user or a third party, whether those damages include loss of use or other indirect, incidental, or consequential damages, special costs or expenses. Bullard offers no warranty on components or accessories NOT manufactured or supplied by Bullard.

ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO FIVE (5) YEARS ON THE HELMET SHELL AND LIFETIME (NFPA 1851: 10 YEARS) ON THE NON-ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS FROM THE DATE OF MANUFACTURE OF THIS PRODUCT.

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**AX Series includes FX Thermoglas® helmet**

**Colors**

AX Series helmets are available in nine standard colors: white, red, black, yellow, blue, orange, lime-yellow, pink, and green.

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NO PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR CAN PROTECT AGAINST ALL FORESEEABLE IMPACTS. For maximum protection under these standards, the helmet must be of good fit and all retention straps must be securely fastened. Use only with a Bullard suspension system. This helmet should be inspected by the user for visible damage prior to each use. Immediately replace shell or suspension at first sign of ear, damage, or degradation.

HELMETS CAN BE SERIOUSLY DAMAGED BY SOME COMMON SUBSTANCES, THOUGH SHOW NO DAMAGE TO THE NAKED EYE. CLEAN ONLY WITH MILD DETERGENT AND WATER. DO NOT USE CONTACT OF THESE FIRE HELMETS WITH LIVE WIRES SHOULD BE AVOIDED. NEVER ALTER OR MODIFY THE HELMET’S DESIGN OR CONSTRUCTION WITHOUT EXPOSE HELMET TO PAINTS, SOLVENTS, CHEMICALS, ADHESIVES, GASOLINE, OR LIKE SUBSTANCES. STORE IN A DRY, COOL PLACE, AWAY FROM DIRECT SUNLIGHT. Failure to follow these instructions and avoid potentially hazardous situations could result in death or serious injury.

Helmet model AX meets or exceeds all performance specifications under NFPA 1971.