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Application Period Now Open for 2016 Globe Gear Giveaway

*Eligible departments can apply for four sets of turnouts at [www.nvfc.org/globe-gear-donation](http://www.nvfc.org/globe-gear-donation)*

Globe, DuPont Protection Technologies (DuPont), and the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) have teamed up for the fifth year to provide new gear to volunteer fire departments in need. The application period for the 2016 Globe Gear Giveaway is now open, and eligible departments can apply for four sets of CLASSIX® turnout gear for their members. Thirteen department awards will be made, for a total of 52 sets of gear. Applications are due by June 1, 2016. [Apply now.](http://www.nvfc.org/globe-gear-donation)

“The Globe Gear Giveaway is helping fill a critical need for fire departments across the U.S. and Canada. As demonstrated by the amount of applications we receive each year, volunteer departments are constantly looking for ways to keep their firefighters safe while operating on tight budgets,” said NVFC Chairman Kevin D. Quinn. “On behalf of the NVFC and volunteer fire departments nationwide, I am truly grateful to Globe and DuPont for helping more and more departments provide their personnel with compliant turnout gear.”

The Globe Gear Giveaway launched in 2012 to celebrate Globe’s 125th anniversary. As the world’s largest and most trusted manufacturer of structural firesuits in the world, Globe wanted to give back to the fire service and enhance the safety and readiness of our nation’s first responders. To date, the program has provided 299 sets of new turnout gear to 56 departments in need to help them improve the safety and protection of their firefighters. The first 500 applicants also receive a one-year department membership to the NVFC, compliments of Globe. NVFC membership comes with a wide array of benefits.

To be eligible to apply for four sets of Globe gear, departments must meet the following requirements:
- be all-volunteer or mostly-volunteer (over 50%)
- serve a population of 25,000 or less
- be located in the U.S. or Canada and legally organized under state/province law
- demonstrate a need for the gear
- department or person applying must be a member of the NVFC. To help struggling departments meet the membership criteria, Globe will provide a complimentary NVFC Membership to the first 500 applicants.

“Globe is honored to give back to some of the many volunteer fire departments with limited resources by providing the most advanced turnout gear,” said Rob Freese, Senior VP of Marketing at Globe Manufacturing.
Company. “We’re grateful for the thousands of volunteer firefighters who protect our communities every day. They deserve the best personal protection to ensure their own safety.”

“DuPont is proud to be working together with Globe to support the NVFC again this year through this much needed gear donation program,” said Christine Christmas, North American Marketing Manager, DuPont Protection Technologies. “With our strong commitment to help protect our protectors we want to ensure that they have the right gear to focus on their job and their communities. Working with Globe we can make the best for the best – 100 percent of Globe’s turnout gear is made with DuPont™ Nomex® and Kevlar® fibers providing proven protection and top performance.”

Learn more and apply for Globe gear today at www.nvfc.org/globe-gear-donation. The deadline to apply is June 1, 2016. Winners will be announced monthly between July and December.

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About Globe
Firefighters need to be prepared to perform at their peak, on every call. That’s why Globe delivers the most advanced, best-fitting, and longest lasting protection by listening to our customers, creating breakthrough designs, and applying the engineering skills of the nation’s most trusted turnout gear manufacturer. Globe turnout gear is designed to protect you, move with you, and improve your performance. It’s athletic gear for firefighters. Learn more at www.globeturnoutgear.com.

About DuPont Protection Technologies
DuPont Protection Technologies (NYSE: DD) has been bringing world-class science and engineering to the global marketplace in the form of innovative products, materials, and services since 1802. The company believes that by collaborating with customers, governments, NGOs, and thought leaders we can help find solutions to such global challenges as providing enough healthy food for people everywhere, decreasing dependence on fossil fuels, and protecting life and the environment. For additional information about DuPont Protection Technologies and its commitment to inclusive innovation, please visit http://www.dupont.com.

About the NVFC
The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) is the leading nonprofit membership association representing the interests of the volunteer fire, EMS, and rescue services. The NVFC serves as the voice of the volunteer in the national arena and provides invaluable tools, resources, programs, and advocacy for first responders across the nation. Learn more at www.nvfc.org.