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Backpack with integrated back-protector

Question:

some back protectors are designed specifically to be inserted into backpacks.
This is usually specificied in the technical file and application for the certification.
Is the backpack with integrated protection a PPE?
If yes, which tests shall be carried out and certified?

Solution:

The backpack is not a PPE.

In case a backpack is integrated with a back protector, the back protector is the PPE which shall comply to EN 1621-2.

The packpack shall be assessed as restraint system of the protector.