

Hybrid high performance fabrics at JRC-REFLEX

Retroreflective materials manufacturer JRC-REFLEX has expanded its ultra-lightweight category to include stretch woven and perforated fabrics.

October 27, 2016 -- Light-reflecting and lightweight: this is the goal that French-Italian retroreflective fabric specialist JRC-REFLEX is constantly seeking to improve upon. After developing a lighter weight four-way stretch knitted fabric last year, the company is now launching its lightest woven mechanical stretch fabric to date. The new reference is 10 to 15% lighter than the current stretch woven. "Our engineers have developed this fabric specifically for running and cycling brands as the mechanical stretch offered by woven fabrics provides better compression," says company CEO Céline Cugerone.

Enhanced breathability

JRC-REFLEX has also been working on improving the breathability of its glass bead-embedded fabrics. The company will be introducing a new perforated version of its ultralight four-way stretch knit fabric at the Performance Days show this November.

The openings punched in the new perforated reference will increase airflow and wick moisture away from the body faster. This truly hybrid multifunctional material can then combine high reflectivity and high elasticity with high breathability and lightness. JRC-REFLEX says that the new reference is surprisingly durable for a perforated fabric.

The improved lightness and breathability of these new references by JRC-REFLEX should make them easier to use as the main fabric of performance clothing. For brands that means the ability to provide enhanced comfort along with the protection and safety of retroreflectivity.


About JRC-REFLEX

JRC-REFLEX is a manufacturer of high-quality retroreflective fabrics and trimming. Founded in 1988, the company is based in Romans, France. Its state-of-the-art factory is located in Bergamo, Italy.

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