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Thank you for participating in our Member Tested and Recommended Program. The **BDS QR Conversion Kit** has been tested and recommended by the members of the National Tactical Officers Association. Your overall score was a **4.6**.

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Blaze Defense Systems

BDS QR Conversion Kit

Overall Score: 4.6

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Tester 1 of 3

Tested by a member from Michigan

Design 5

Performance 5

Ease of Use 5

Size 5

Quality 5

Durability 5

Storage 5

Versatility 5

Convenience 5

Application 5

Comfort 5

Accuracy 5

Cleaning & Maintenance 5

Individual Score 5

When I received this conversion kit, I couldn't tell at first glance what it was for. Until I figured that it was a quick release system for my plate carrier, I had no idea. They were easy to install and easy to use. They attach to your cummerbund with MOLLE



and they other side goes on the hook & loop side. So if you need to adjust it, you just pull the hook & loop and put it where you want. The set I got came with Cobra buckles rated for 18kn (about 4000lbs). The only downside at all is that id pick the polymer buckle for the reduced weight if I had my choice. Good idea and good product.

Tester 2 of 3

Tested by a member from California

Design 4.7

Performance 4.7

Ease of Use 4.7

Size 3.5

Quality 4.5

Durability 4.6

Storage 3.5

Versatility 3.0

Convenience 4.5

Application 4.0

Comfort 4.5

Accuracy 3.5

Cleaning & Maintenance 3.5

Individual Score 4.08

The BDS QR Conversion kit is utilized to convert a standard MOLLE / Velcro plate carrier cummerbund to a quick release no Velcro system. Upon receiving the kit, I immediately noticed how well made it was. The Velcro and MOLLE attachment panels had thick strong stitching and the material appeared durable and sturdy. The



cobra style buckles were also well made and easy to engage and disengage. We installed this kit on our teams issued plate carrier which was extremely easy and quick. We had noted that we were beginning to see Velcro strain on our cummerbunds after several years of constant use and this kit was a good option for our current system. Our particular vest has removable Velcro tabs on the actual cummerbund so the installation of the male clip attachment panel to the MOLLE was smooth and without issues. I appreciated the system immediately and liked not having to fight with my fully loaded vest front flap when donning and doffing my kit. The clips and panels had zero give or play and my plate carrier felt like it remained in place and was more secure than the standard Velcro attachment, even during strenuous movement or while negotiating obstacles. I would highly recommend this kit to any team or member who is tired of fighting with Velcro.

Tester 3 of 3

Tested by a member from Nebraska

Design 5

Performance 5

Ease of Use 4

Size 5

Quality 5

Durability 5

Storage 5

Versatility 3

Convenience 5

Application 5

Comfort 5



Accuracy

Cleaning & Maintenance

Individual Score 4.73

The BDS QR conversion kit works very well. I was able to attach it to my personal plate carrier with the cummerbund. The attachment is easy to work with some practice and it is universal to any carriers that have a cummerbund and Velcro closure in the front. I was able to adjust it just by moving the clips along the MOLLE cummerbund to fit over my soft vest then easily adjust to use without a vest underneath. There is no quick way to adjust the size without moving the MOLLE attachments. The clips that keep the carrier together are very sturdy and work without issue.