

**DEVELOPMENT, TESTING AND QUALIFICATION**

All technologies and solutions are tested at Rheinmetall's own test laboratories according to the actual standard STANAG 4569 Edition D or customer specific specifications.

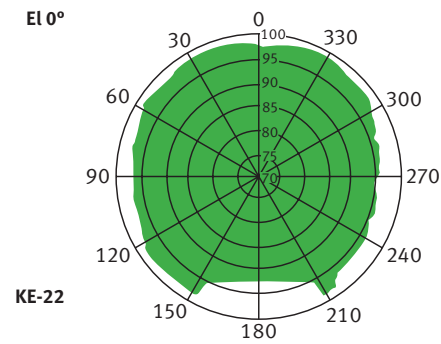
Qualification tests are done with national authorities or independent Third Party test houses.



Indoor test range

**EPCAT SIMULATION**

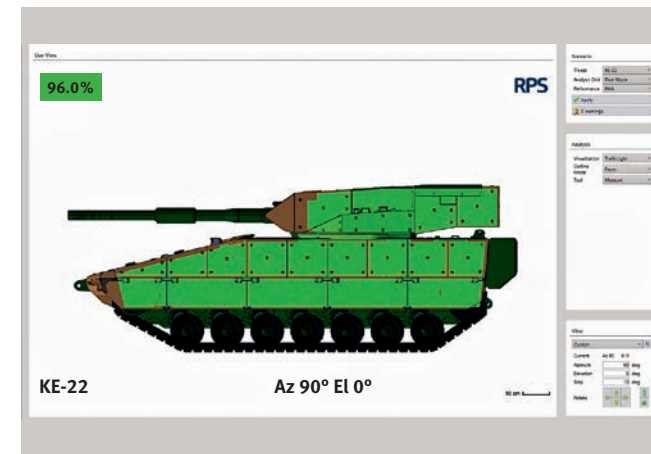
Rheinmetall uses **EPCAT** simulation software for structural weak area analysis as required by AEP55 to become part of the certification of the protection kits.



Analysis protection coverage

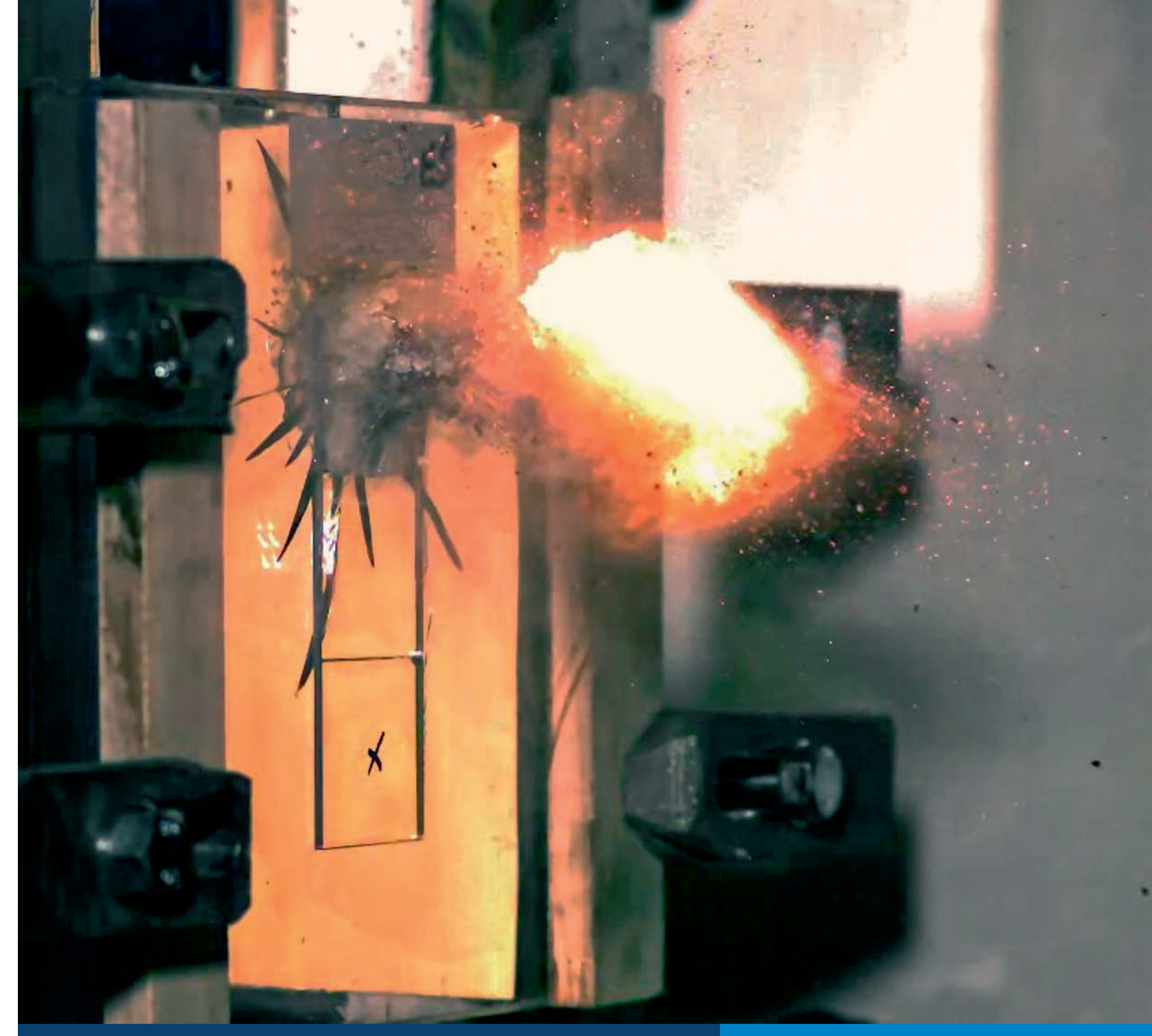


Medium-calibre test range



Determination of weak areas

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**BALLISTIC PROTECTION**  
 SOLUTIONS FOR LIGHT TO HEAVY COMBAT VEHICLES  
 COMPREHENSIVE TECHNOLOGY PORTFOLIO AGAINST ALL RELEVANT THREATS

**FULL SPECTRUM OF TECHNOLOGIES TO PROTECT AGAINST ALL RELEVANT THREATS**

Rheinmetall has a full spectrum of protection technologies at military vehicles specifically tailored to customer needs and specifications.

The protection ranges from technologies against small calibre handheld weapons over mid calibre weapon up to large calibres of main battle tanks.

Most protection technologies composite materials such as combinations of fibres with ceramics or metals. Rheinmetall has also triggered the development of specific material recipes providing outstanding ballistic performance.

**DEVELOPMENT OF WEIGHT/PERFORMANCE OPTIMIZED PROTECTION KITS**

Rheinmetall ballistic protection technologies are based on over more than 30 years of experience and more than 50,000 test protocols. This forms the basis for the development of high-end protection kits.

Based on this technology database Rheinmetall has developed the simulation software **EPCAT** for threats in the range STANAG 4569 Level 1 to Level 6 and large calibres, allowing an optimized design of protection kits for any type of vehicle.

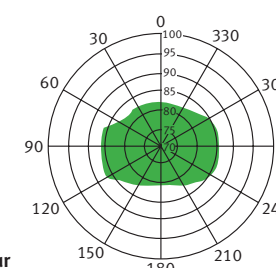
From the start Rheinmetall engineers can select and integrate most suitable technologies and adapt them to the configuration of the hull and the performance specification. During the process, the ballistic performance of the entire kit can be analysed and further optimized before entering the test and qualification phase. With the results of the performance simulation, the amount of testing, development time as well as risks and costs are reduced.

**INITIAL DESIGN**

44%



Armoured vehicle without add-on-armour

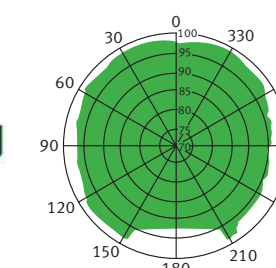


**OPTIMIZED DESIGN**

93%



Armoured vehicle with add-on-armour



INCREASING

THREAT

LEVEL

**ASSAULT RIFLES**



Caracal 4x4



Gerlach 4x4



**SNIPER RIFLES**



Pandur EVO 6x6



**MACHINE GUNS**



Rosomak 8x8



**MACHINE CANNONS**



Lynx IFV

**TANK ROUNDS**



Strv 122

