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## REVISION EYEWEAR, SUPPLIER TO U.S. ARMY, PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR AND Rx INSERTS PROVEN SAFE

**WILLISTON, VT, April 17, 2007** - In response to an April 5, 2007 article in the *Stars and Stripes* newspaper entitled "Some protective eyewear may pose danger to troops", Revision Eyewear, developers of special purpose-built military eyewear, is proud to acknowledge that Revision's Sawfly® U.S. Military Eyewear Kit was cited as among the brands that can be used safely with optical inserts. The *Stars and Stripes* article stated that there is an increase in combat-related eye injuries because soldiers are using commercial combat eye protection and not military approved ballistic eyewear.

"It is imperative that commanders ensure the wear of the protective eyewear whenever engaging in field tactical operations, training, or situations where this is risk of combat," the article quoted from a recent study by the Office of the Surgeon General that found 10 percent of battlefield injuries involved the eyes. Revision Eyewear provided over 200,000 Sawfly ballistic spectacles to units within the Army in 2006 and has contracts in place to deliver a further 300,000 sets of protective spectacles and goggles in 2007. Included in that number are 175,000 Sawfly to be used in the Army's Training Base Eye Protection Program, in which new recruits will wear Revision eyewear during training to protect their eyes and to familiarize them with routinely wearing protective eyewear.

The article went on to say that "one of the biggest problems is with 'optical inserts,' corrective lenses that are inserted inside the ballistic eyewear. For example, if someone uses inserts with the popular Wiley-X glasses the inserts shatter even if the outer lens does not. The Oakley SI series is another brand that cannot be worn with optical inserts."



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Jonathan Blanshay, President of Revision Eyewear stated, "Revision Eyewear's best-in-class products have been tested to military standards both with and without the optical inserts that have been filled with CR39 and/or polycarbonate prescriptive lenses. The results indicate no cracking, shattering, or puncturing of either the primary ballistic lens or the optical carrier Rx lenses. Soldiers who utilize Rx carriers for their Revision Eyewear can rest assured that with Revision Sawfly (spectacle) and Desert Locust™ (goggle) eyewear, their vision will be corrected and protected from ballistic projectiles."

Soldier feedback has been universally positive on the eyewear performance, especially in combat situations where these glasses have demonstrably saved soldiers' eyesight. Both the Sawfly U.S. Military Eyewear System and the Desert Locust U.S. Military Goggle Kit exceed military ballistic requirements, are listed on the U.S. Army Authorized Protective Eyewear List as well as the U.S. Air Force APEL, and have NSN's as listed below.

These Revision protective eyewear systems can be procured through supply chain mechanisms, including DoD EMail, GSA, MilStrips, through on-base Military Clothing Sales Stores, as well as dealer locations listed on the Revision website at [www.revisioneyewear.com/sales](http://www.revisioneyewear.com/sales) .

### **ABOUT REVISION**

Revision Eyewear develops special purpose-built eyewear for military, law enforcement, and tactical clients worldwide. Revision products deliver the highest standards of protection, optical clarity, durability, compatibility and comfort. Clients include the U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Coast Guard, the Belgian Ministry of Defence, U.K. Ministry of Defence, Singapore MoD, and the Canadian Department of National Defence. Privately owned and ISO 9001:2000 certified, Revision's operational facility is located in Williston, Vermont with offices in the U.K. and Canada. For more information, please visit [www.revisioneyewear.com](http://www.revisioneyewear.com), write [info@revisioneyewear.com](mailto:info@revisioneyewear.com), or call

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**Revision's Sawfly U.S. Military Eyewear System**

NSN 4240-01-527-4051 (Regular Size)    NSN 4240-01-527-4018 (Large Size)



**Revision's Desert Locust U.S. Military Goggle System**

Black NSN 4240-01-547-6227    Foliage Green NSN 4240-01-547-6218



**Revision's Rx Carrier for Sawfly spectacle or Desert Locust Goggle**

NSN 4240-01-547-6349