



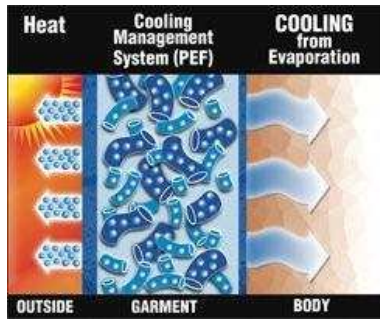
[Tested: HyperKewl cooling vest by TechNiche](#)

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Nieuwsmotor.nl had the opportunity to test the [HyperKewl cooling vest \(without sleeves\) made by TechNiche](#). Our conclusions are very positive. The cooling effect is very clear under both textile and leather outfits. We tested the cooling vest at temperatures above 25°C with a maximum of even 32°C.



The bikes we used varied from motorscooters till supersports and touring bikes with huge windshields. TechNiche's HyperKewl vest keeps your temperature ideal, not too cold and - more importantly - not boiling hot, whether you're hitting the highway or cruising on slower roads. We stopped for a 60 minutes' break after riding several hours, putting the cooling vest aside in the shadow with our leather vests. When we got back on the bike, the vest was once again pleasantly fresh.



It's important to put the vest in water for a minute or three and then hang it up to dry before using it the first time. Afterwards, when you want to use the vest, you soak it again and take it out of the water after 3 minutes. Push the non-absorbed water out by gently pressing the vest and then dry the inner fabric with a cloth or so. The vest can immediately be worn over your T-shirt under a leather or textile motorcycle vest. If you want, you can make the vest wet again when you make a fuel stop, especially when temperatures rise to 30°C or more. TechNiche says the vest stays cool for about 7 hours. The vest is light and you can't feel it under your outfit. The only remark is that your T-shirt tends to get a bit humid. We don't think of it as a big deal, keeping in mind that the vest is conceived to wear at high temperatures.

So don't let the bike in the shed, but ride all summer long, whatever temperatures may be. If you go out for a very long ride, you can easily reactivate the vest by putting it in water for a minute or even by pouring some water over it. Several World Superbike and World MX riders have tested the vest and were positively surprised. The evaporative technique works on the streets as well, as long as air circulates around the vest. Visit www.bike-design.com for more information.

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Bought it for myself and my wife at MJK Leathers in Oudenbosch and we tried it out in Andorra during a three week trip in temperatures from 25 to 35°. Works fantastically, there's just the fact that the Spaniards don't understand that one adds another vest when it's already that hot. Printing "cooling vest" all over would make a huge difference in reactions and misunderstanding!