

2 AGV SportModular carbon white £629.99 (graphics from £629.99)

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A very stylishly designed dual-homologated lid that is typically AGV sporty in its look (plain colours start at £599.99), the SportModular's interior is incredibly plush-feeling and the fit also very good (glasses slip in with no effort). However, I found the pull-down flip-release system to be a bit trickier to operate than other rivals' push buttons. That said, I'm sure owners will quickly get used to it.

On the go, the vents are large and easy to locate and the lid feels pleasingly wide and roomy around your face. I found the internal sun visor rested on the tip of my nose when it was down, which was a bit annoying, but you can really notice just how light the lid's carbon construction makes it when on the bike.

Wind noise is moderately high due to its roomy shape and you can feel a lot of wind circulating around your ears, which is a bit of a downside, as is the lack of a Pinlock – something I would have expected to be include at this price. Overall, a cool-looking and functional flip-front lid though.



THE FACTS

Construction	Carbon fibre
Standard	ECE22.05
SHARP Rating	4/5
Homologation	P/J
Actual weight	1412g
Integrated sun visor	✓
Fastening system	D-rings
Number of vents	2 F, 1 Ex
Removable lining	✓
Warranty	2 years (extendable to 3)
No. of shell sizes	3
Sizes	XS-XXL

THE SCORES

FIT	■■■■■■■■■■■
COMFORT	■■■■■■■■■■■
VENTS	■■■■■■■■■■■
VISOR REMOVAL	■■■■■■■■■■■
NOISE	■■■■■■■■■■■
Total	44/50

1 Shoei Neotec II £529.99 (graphics from £559.99)

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A benchmark product in the flip-front helmet class, the Neotec II is dual homologated and comes with all the features you would expect. A sumptuous lid to wear with a beautiful lining and perfect fit, there is also loads of room to get the arms of glasses through, it is pre-prepared for a Sena communication system, includes a Pinlock and the two-stage-locking flip-system works very smoothly.

On the road, the Shoei feels weighty compared to rivals with a carbon shell but the lining is snug without being uncomfortable and the tighter fit helps prevent drafts. The sun visor and vents are simple to locate and operate with a gloved hand but there is quite a lot of room in the recesses around your ears, making it comfortable as there is no pressure on them but slightly louder than I expected as a result. Open the vents and you can really feel their effect, channelling lots of cool air, especially in the chin area but also from the head vent. Removing the breath curtain increases this enormously to the face.



THE FACTS

Construction	Organic and multi-composite fibres
Standard	ECE22.05
SHARP Rating	4/5
Homologation	P/J
Actual weight	1739g
Integrated sun visor	✓
Fastening system	Ratchet
Number of vents	2 F, 1 Ex
Removable lining	✓
Warranty	5 years
No. of shell sizes	3
Sizes	XS-XXL

THE SCORES

FIT	■■■■■■■■■■■
COMFORT	■■■■■■■■■■■
VENTS	■■■■■■■■■■■
VISOR REMOVAL	■■■■■■■■■■■
NOISE	■■■■■■■■■■■
Total	47/50