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# HAND PROTECTION **ANSI GLOVE STANDARDS**

ANSI/ISEA 105 is a voluntary US standard that specifies test methods and provides performance ranges for many different properties including chemical resistance, cut resistance, puncture resistance and abrasion resistance.



# ANSI/ISEA CLASSIFICATIONS

## CUT RESISTANCE

LEVEL		WEIGHT (GRAMS)	APPLICATIONS	EXAMPLES	
CUT HAZARD	Light	ANSI <b>A1</b> CUT	$\geq 200$	Maintenance, Material Handling, Small Parts Assembly, Warehouse	 TUF-COR™ TOUCH #6992
	Light - Medium	ANSI <b>A2</b> CUT	$\geq 500$	Assembly, Appliance Manufacturing, Auto Repair, Construction/Remodeling, Maintenance, Material Handling, Metal Fabrication	 BLACK LABEL™ Red #3705
		ANSI <b>A3</b> CUT	$\geq 1000$	Assembly, Appliance Manufacturing, Auto Repair, Construction/Remodeling, Maintenance, Material Handling, Metal Fabrication	 CALIBER™ TOUCH #3716T
	Med - High	ANSI <b>A4</b> CUT	$\geq 1500$	Aerospace, Appliance Manufacturing, Automotive, Construction/Remodeling, Glass Handling, HVAC, Machining, Metal Fabrication, Stamping, Paper/Pulp Production	 MACHINIST™ #3734
		ANSI <b>A5</b> CUT	$\geq 2200$	Aerospace, Appliance Manufacturing, Automotive, Bottling/Canning, Construction/Remodeling, Flooring Installation, Glass Handling, HVAC, Machining, Metal Fabrication, Stamping, Paper/Pulp Production	 SABRE™ #3350
	High	ANSI <b>A6</b> CUT	$\geq 3000$	All of the Above Plus Meat Processing, Recycling, Window Manufacturing	 POWER-COR™ ULTRA #3051
	High-Heavy	ANSI <b>A7</b> CUT	$\geq 4000$	Automotive Demolition, High-Grip Applications, Sheet Metal Handling, Welding	 COMMANDER™ FOAM #3732F
	Heavy	ANSI <b>A8</b> CUT	$\geq 5000$	Automotive Demolition, Heavy Equipment Maintenance, High-Grip Applications, Oil & Gas, Pulp & Saw Mills, Sheet Metal Handling, Welding	
	Extreme	ANSI <b>A9</b> CUT	$\geq 6000$	Automotive Demolition, Heavy Equipment Maintenance, High-Grip Applications, Oil & Gas, Pulp & Saw Mills, Sheet Metal Handling, Welding	

**Cut Resistance (ANSI/ISEA 105):** To determine cut resistance, a test sample is cut by a straight-edge blade, under load, that moves along a straight path. The sample is cut five times, each under three different loads, and the data is used to determine the required load to cut through the test sample at a distance of 2mm (0.8 inches). Test scores are expressed in Levels and in the number of grams (load). The higher the number of grams, the more cut resistant the material.

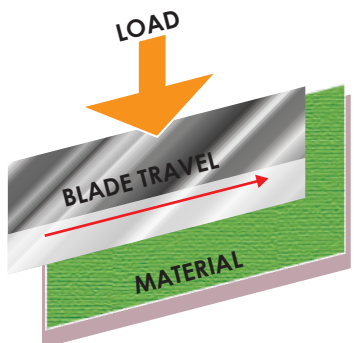


Fig 1. Testing for Cut Resistance with a Blade Under Load

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## ABRASION RESISTANCE

LEVEL		ABRASION RESISTANCE (CYCLES)	APPLICATIONS	EXAMPLES
Light	<b>ANSI 1 ABR</b>	109-499	Paper/Cardboard Cuts, Light Material Handling, Parts Assembly	 <b>CONTACT™ Foam Latex #3991</b>
Light-Medium	<b>ANSI 2 ABR</b>	500-999	Paper/Cardboard Cuts, Light Material Handling, Parts Assembly	 <b>COR-GRIP PRO™ Crinkle Latex #3986P</b>
Medium	<b>ANSI 3 ABR</b>	1,000-2,999	Light Construction, Material Handling, Parts Assembly, Packaging	 <b>MACHINIST™ Nitrile Foam #3734</b>
Medium-Heavy	<b>ANSI 4 ABR</b>	3,000-9,999	Construction, Light Metal Stamping, Light Glass Handling, Manufacturing	 <b>COMMANDER™ Foam #3732F</b>
Heavy	<b>ANSI 5 ABR</b>	10,000-19,999	Construction, Metal Stamping, Food Service, Glass Handling	 <b>THRESHOLD™ #3731</b>
Extreme	<b>ANSI 6 ABR</b>	20,000+	Oil & Gas, Mining, Heavy Duty Construction, Demolition, Manufacturing, Metal Fabrication	 <b>COMMANDER™ HV #3732HV</b>

**Abrasion Resistance (ANSI/ISEA 105):** Abrasion Resistance is measured as number of rotations on a friction machine before abrasion occurs.

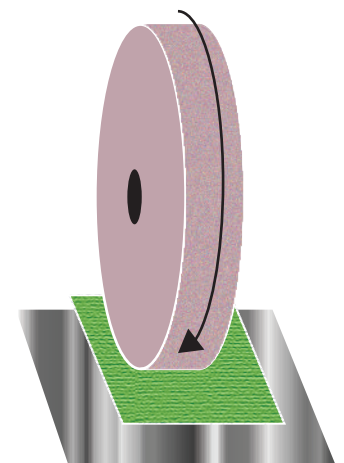






Fig 2. Testing for Abrasion on a Friction Machine

# ANSI/ISEA CLASSIFICATIONS PUNCTURE RESISTANCE

LEVEL		PUNCTURE RESISTANCE (NEWTONS)	APPLICATIONS	
Light	<b>ANSI 1 PUNC</b>	10-19	Paper/Cardboard Cuts, Light Material Handling, Parts Assembly	<b>EXAMPLES</b>
	<b>ANSI 2 PUNC</b>	20-59	Light Construction, Material Handling, Parts Assembly, Packaging	
Light-Medium	<b>ANSI 3 PUNC</b>	60-99	Construction, Light Metal Stamping, Light Glass Handling, Manufacturing	 <b>TACTYLE™ #6670</b>
	<b>ANSI 4 PUNC</b>	100-149	Construction, Metal Stamping, Glass Handling, Recycling, Injection Molding	 <b>COMMANDER™ #3732</b>
Medium	<b>ANSI 5 PUNC</b>	150+	Oil & Gas, Mining, Heavy Duty Construction, Demolition, Manufacturing, Metal Fabrication	 <b>MACHINIST™ Sandy Nitrile #3734TPR</b>
				 <b>ION™ #3702</b>

**Puncture Resistance (ANSI/ISEA 105):** Puncture resistance is determined by the max force that it takes, exerted from a probe, to puncture the fabric.

## ANSI/ISEA CLASSIFICATIONS IMPACT PROTECTION

This standard specifically focuses on the back of the hand by measuring the dissipating impact from the knuckles and fingers.

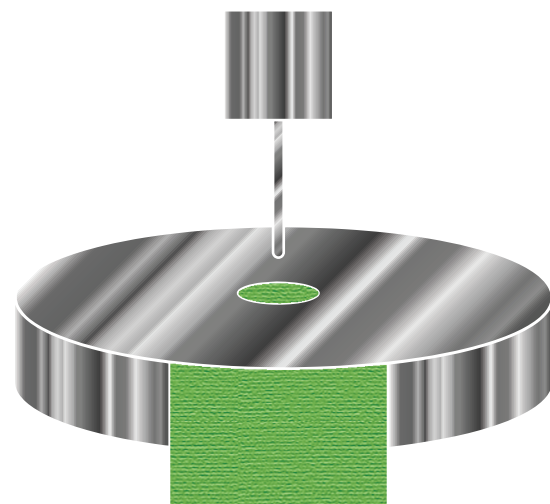


Fig 3. Testing for Puncture Resistance with a Probe

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