# ECUTANSI/EN 388 STANDARDS



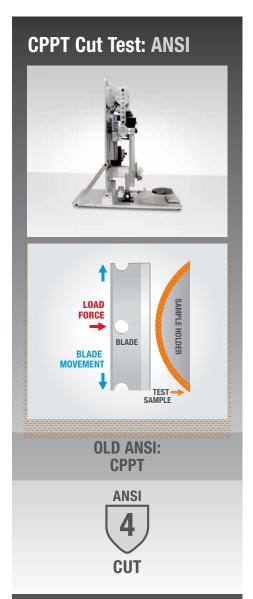


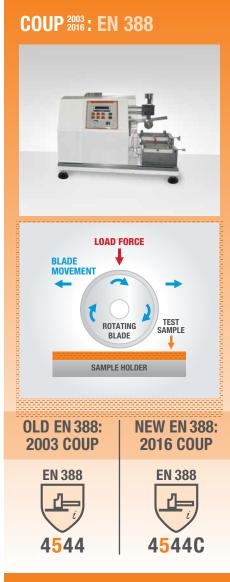
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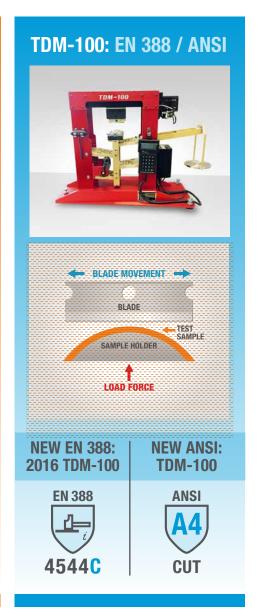


## **5 CUT TESTS 3 CUT TEST MACHINES**

Testing standards for cut resistant gloves have changed for EN 388 and ANSI. Both now use the same measuring device, the TDM-100 machine, resulting in more comparable data between the two standards (EN 388 ISO 13997 & ANSI ASTM F2992-15). TDM tests the amount of weight (grams/newtons) necessary for a blade to cut through material. This test method provides greater accuracy than the previous EN 388 Coup test, and has the ability to test higher cut materials and provide a larger range of precision results. To mitigate the dulling of the rotating blade which can provide inconsistent results, the new EN 388:2016 Coup test has been revised to limit the number of test passes to 60 cycles to cut the fabric - then a new blade is required.







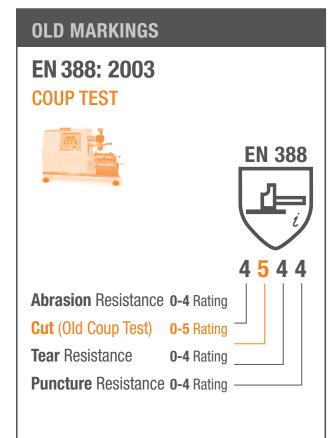
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## ECUT ANSI / EN 38 STANDARD

## Measurements completed in **Newtons**

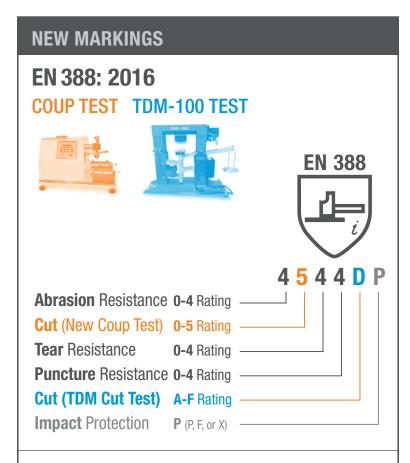


#### **COUP TEST:**

#### Levels 1 to 5

(Lowest to highest level of cut resistance)

Blade is re-used for each cut, but not for each test.



#### **COUP TEST:**

#### Levels 1 to 5

New blade is required after 60 cycles if the blade has not cut through the test fabric.

#### TDM-100 TEST: Levels A to F

New blade is required for each cut.

#### **IMPACT PROTECTION TEST:**

An impact protection test is part of the new EN 388: 2016 standard intended for hand protection specifically designed for protection against impact gloves that do not offer impact protection will not be subjected to this test.

There are three potential ratings: Pass (P), Fail (F), or Not Tested (X).

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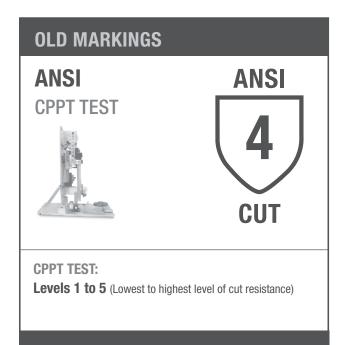


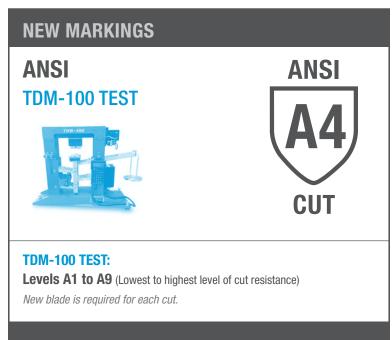


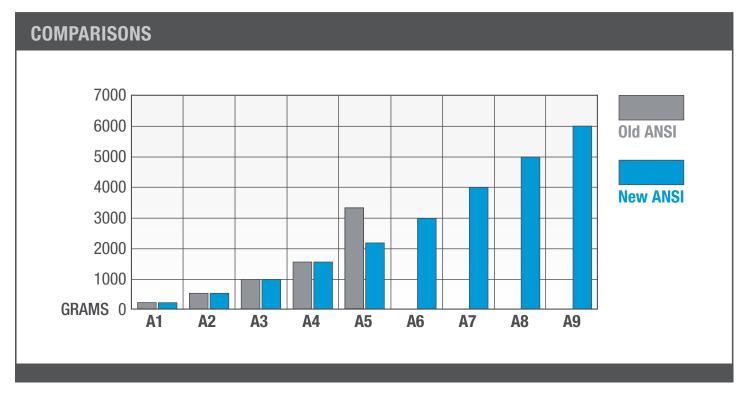




## Measurements completed in **Grams**







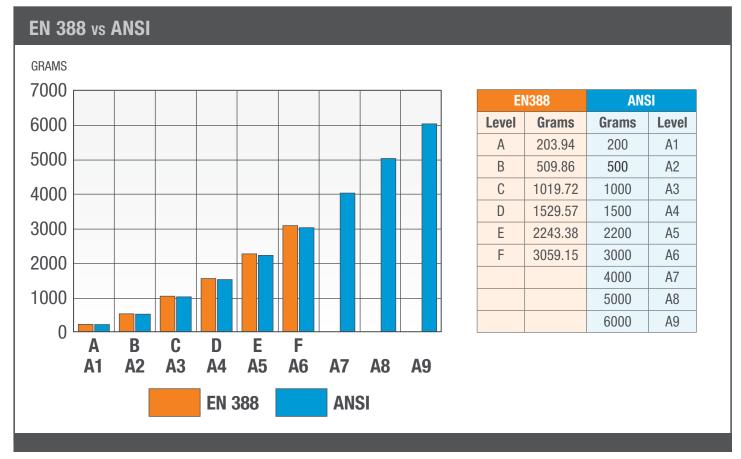
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Variances between EN388: 2016 & ANSI new TDM-100 tests can occur because of the difference between using newtons vs grams.

## **Example:**

99-9-9731

2 TDM-100 Tests:

■ EN 388 Cut Level C\*

ANSI Cut Level A4

<sup>\*</sup> Did not reach Level D because the test resulted somewhere between 1500 - 1529.56 grams. Resulting in a Low ANSI A4 level, and a high EN388:2016 Level C.









## **WHAT CUT STANDARD TO USE?**

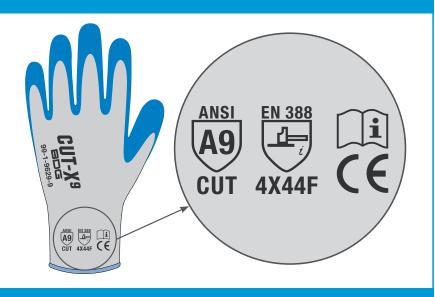
## REFER TO THE NEW ANSI CUT STANDARD:

- ✓ ANSI is a North American. made standard, while CE EN388 is a European made set of standards
- Our market is starting to recognize ANSI over EN388 because EN388 can be more confusing
- Customers can recognize numbers over letters Fx: ANSI A6 vs FN388 F

## **COMMITMENT TO SAFETY**

BDG® hand protection products that have been tested will be marked to easily identify safety standards.

Data acquired from these tests ensures proper selection of the right glove with the right protection for any task at hand.





## WHAT THE STANDARDS **MEAN FOR YOU?**

Hand safety not only relies on selecting the right glove - but selecting the right glove for the task at hand. From lightweight product handling to heavy duty hazardous work, BDG® CUT-X gloves offer the diversity and protection for any work environment.



## **ANSI/EN 388 STANDARDS**

## **ECUT ANSI / EN 388** STANDARDS

#### **APPLICATIONS\***

**GENERAL PURPOSE** LIGHT MATERIAL HANDLING SHIPPING/RECEIVING

> **GENERAL PURPOSE** MATERIAL HANDLING ASSEMBLY, AUTO

CONSTRUCTION METAL/GLASS HANDLING MANUFACTURING, AUTO

METAL/GLASS HANDLING MACHINING, HVAC MANUFACTURING, FABRICATION

> METAL/GLASS HANDLING **AUTOMOTIVE ASSEMBLY** METAL FABRICATION

METAL/GLASS HANDLING FOOD PROCESSING HEAVY DUTY CONSTRUCTION

> \* Applications are suggestions only. Proper safety/hazard assessments should be done prior to the use of any hand protection.

#### ASTM F2992: TDM CUT TEST

Results are represented by levels A1 to A9 (Lowest to highest level of cut resistance) \* Previously represented as levels 1 to 5, ISEA 105-2011

GRAMS ≥ **200** 

LIGHT

**LIGHT - MEDIUM** 

GRAMS ≥ 500

GRAMS ≥ 1000

**MEDIUM** 

GRAMS ≥ **1500** 

**MEDIUM - HEAVY** 

GRAMS ≥ **2200** 

**HEAVY** 

GRAMS ≥ **3000** 

**EXTRA HEAVY** 

GRAMS ≥ **4000** 

**EXTRA HEAVY** 

GRAMS ≥ **5000** 

**EXTREME** 

GRAMS ≥ **6000** 

**EXTREME** 

**ISO 13997:** TDM CUT TEST

Results are represented by levels A to F (Lowest to highest level of cut resistance)

\* Previously represented as levels 1 to 5. Coup Test

2 NEWTONS

LIGHT

**5** NEWTONS

**LIGHT - MEDIUM** 



**10** NEWTONS

**MEDIUM** 



**15** NEWTONS

**MEDIUM - HEAVY** 

**22** NEWTONS

HEAVY



**30** NEWTONS

**EXTRA HEAVY** 

1 Newton = 102 Grams (approx.)

### TDM CUT TEST METHOD:

Weight (Newtons/Grams) needed to cut through material with 20 mm blade travel.

4 X 4 4 D P

Abrasion Resistance 0-4 Rating Cut (Coup Test) 0-5 Rating **Tear** Resistance 0-4 Rating

Puncture Resistance 0-4 Rating Cut (TDM Cut Test) A-F Rating **Impact** Protection **P** (P, F, or X)

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