

# ANSI/ISEA CLASSIFICATIONS

## CUT RESISTANCE

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

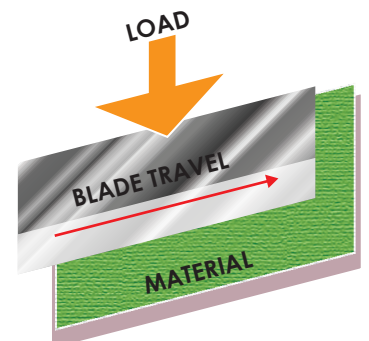


Fig 1. Testing for Cut Resistance with a Blade Under Load

**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.