

## Your Guide to the EN388 Impact Glove Standard v ANSI 138 Standard

And which one would you prefer to use when selecting Impact Gloves ?



### UNITED KINGDOM EN13594:2015 IMPACT TEST

#### Test Method

2.5kg weight dropped 20cm – A force of 20kN

#### Area of Glove Tested

##### 1 test point:

Weighted strike on the knuckle region only  
Four knuckle tests taken from four different gloves

#### What this test doesn't tell us

Finger protection where most impact injuries occur

#### Knuckle Test Score

Pass: Minimum 65% of the 20kN force absorbed  
Fail: Less than 65% of the 20kN force absorbed

### AMERICAN ANSI / ISEA 138 IMPACT TEST (FEB 2019)

#### Test Method

2.5kg weight dropped 20cm – A force of 20kN

#### Area of Glove Tested

##### 9 defined test points:

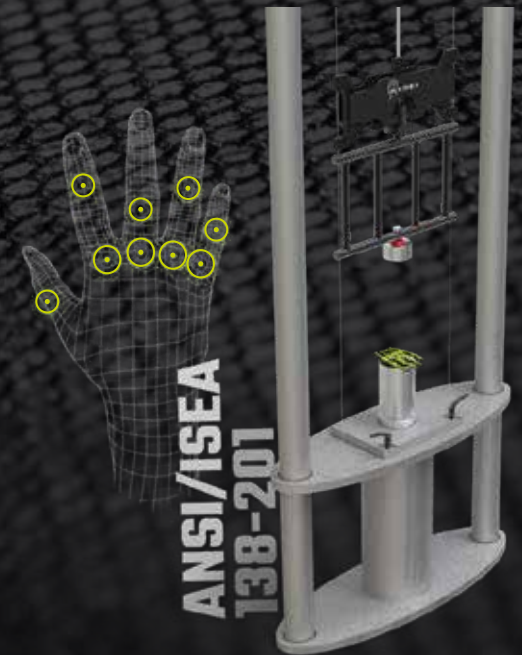
Weighted strike on 4 parts of the knuckle (Both hands) = 8 Tests  
Weighted strike on all 5 fingers (Both hands) = 10 Tests  
The certified score is the lowest mean result of the fingers or knuckle results – But invariably the finger result.

#### What this test does tell us

The minimum protection in all Impact areas of the glove

#### Fingers and Knuckle Test Score

Level 1: Minimum 55% of the 20kN force absorbed  
Level 2: Minimum 67.5% of the 20kN force absorbed  
Level 3: Minimum 80% of the 20kN force absorbed



### THE IMPORTANCE OF UNDERSTANDING THE 2 DIFFERENT TEST METHODS

#### Key benefits of the ANSI TEST over the EN test

- Delivers exact information concerning all-round protection
- Answers questions about finger pinch-point protection where most injuries occur
- Reassures wearer concerns about how much protection they are receiving
- Allows HSE professionals to select impact protection according to the level of impact risk

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