



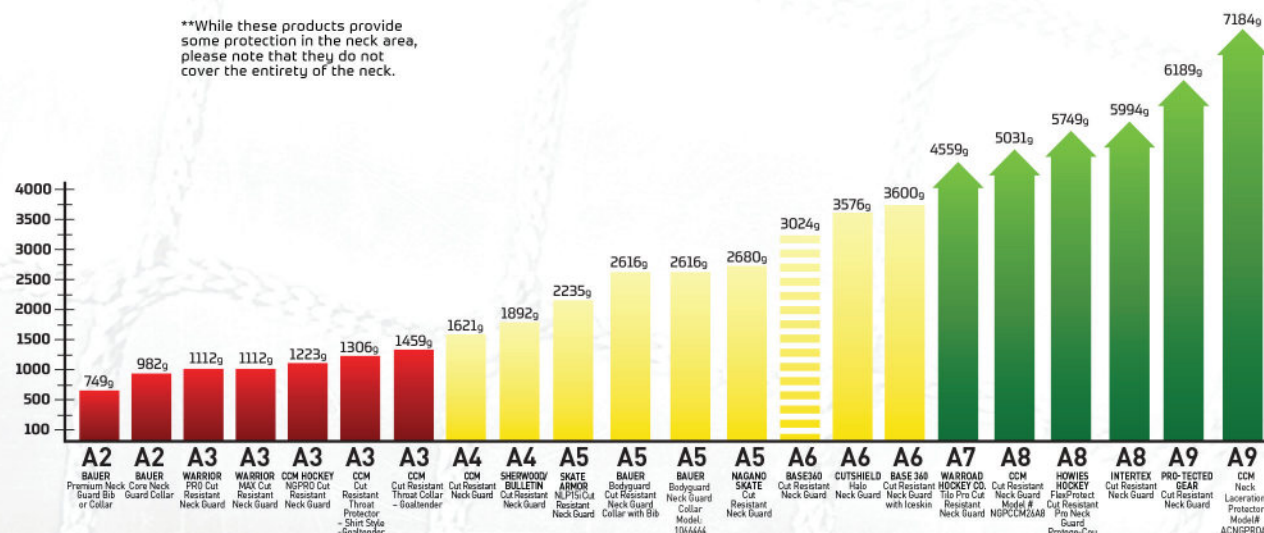
CUT RESISTANT PRODUCTS



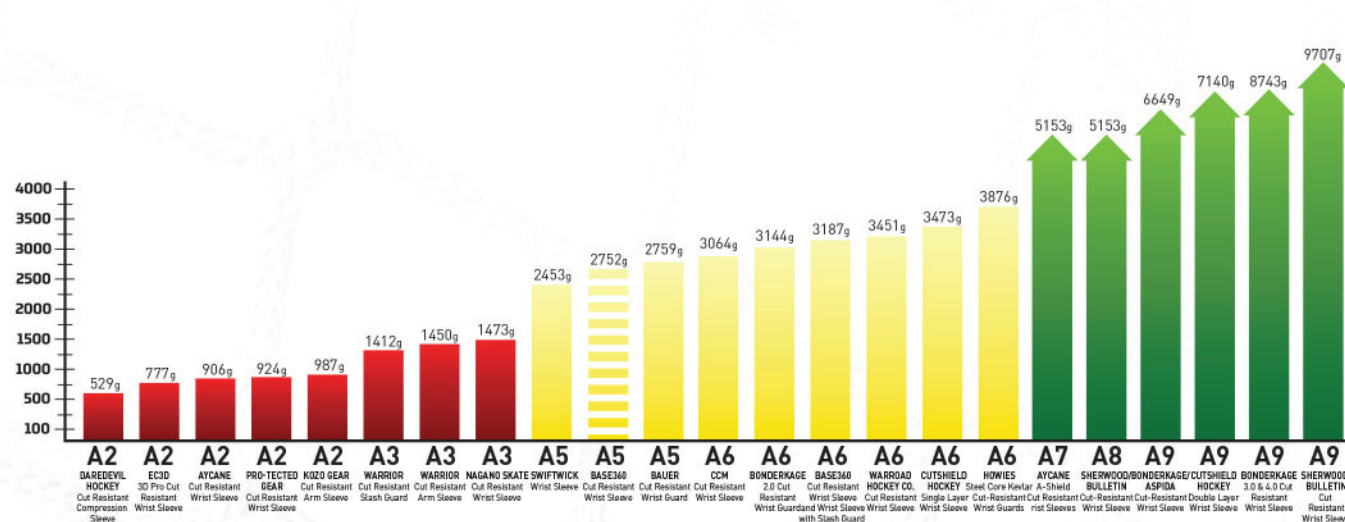
BASE LAYER



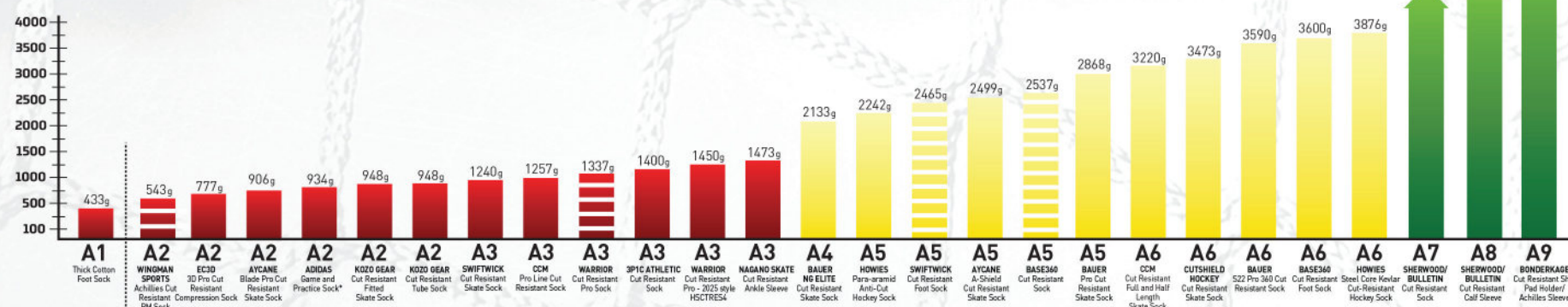
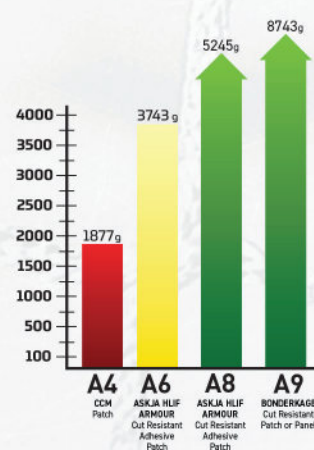
NECK GUARD



ARM/WRIST PROTECTION



PATCH & PANELS



*Required to be worn by player

LESS RESISTANT - LEVEL A1

CUT LEVEL

MORE RESISTANT - LEVEL A9

ABOUT THE TESTING:

Effective January 1, 2018, the NHL, in collaboration with the NHLPA, adopted standardized testing requirements for cut resistant equipment that is submitted for clearance for use in the NHL. All equipment reflected here was tested in an ASTM accredited laboratory in accordance with the ANSI/ISEA 105-2016 Standard (which incorporates the ASTM F2992 Test using a TDM-100 testing machine).

Pursuant to the testing, each product is rated on a scale of A1 to A9 for cut level protection, and is represented in grams, with 9 indicating the highest level of protection. The testing methodology looks at the level of force, in grams, that is required for a blade to cut through the product when subjected to standardized loads. This poster reflects products on the NHL's cleared for use list. Certain products are included with hashed lines which denote products that are no longer commercially available but may still be available in your Club's locker room. Please note that products reflected on this poster and the cleared for use list may only contain cut resistant protection on a portion of the product.

The products were tested by independent accredited laboratories. The NHL and the NHLPA have not confirmed the data produced by the testing. These test results are presented for informational purposes only, to allow you to compare the relative performance of the products. The results do not measure or predict injury risk and do not necessarily reflect how the tested products will perform in use, as there may be other considerations associated with injury or on-ice performance that were not part of the testing protocol. In addition, other factors may be important in player selection of protective equipment, such as position, style of play and injury history, as well as equipment fit and performance.

Players, in consultation with Club personnel, shall make independent decisions regarding cut resistant product selection. Neither the NHL nor the NHLPA assume responsibility for Player product choices. The NHL and NHLPA do not endorse or recommend any one particular cut resistant product tested over another.

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WEIGHT APPLIED BEFORE FAILURE IN GRAMS