EN ISO 374-1:2016

This standard specifies the capability of gloves to protect the user against chemicals and micro-organisms.

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Protective gloves against chemicals

It is based on three methods:

- Penetration test in accordance with standard EN374-2: 2014
- Permeation test in accordance with standard EN16523-1: 2015 which replaces standard EN374-3
- Degradation test in accordance with standard EN374-4: 2013

The 'Chemical resistant' gloves classified as Type A, B or C

EN ISO 374-1:2016/Type A	EN ISO 374-1:2016/Type B	EN ISO 374-1:2016/Type C
Glove Type A:	Glove Type B:	Glove Type C:
* Penetration resistance	* Penetration resistance	* Penetration resistance
(EN 374-2)	(EN 374-2)	(EN 374-2)
* The permeation performance	* The permeation performance	* The permeation performance
shall be at least level 2	shall be at least level 2	shall be at least level 1
(minimum 30 mins	(minimum 30 mins	(minimum 10 mins
breakthrough time) against a	breakthrough time) against a	breakthrough time) against a
minimum of 6 test chemicals	minimum of 3 test chemicals	minimum of 1 test chemical
listed in the table below	listed in the table below	listed in the table below
(EN16523-1)	(EN16523-1)	(EN16523-1)

Code	Chemical	CAS Number	Class
А	Methanol	67-56-1	Primary alcohol
В	Acetone	67-64-1	Ketone
С	Acetonitrile	75-05-8	Nitrile compound
D	Dichloromethane	75-09-2	Chlorinated paraffin
E	Carbon disulphide	75-15-0	Sulphur containing Organic compound
F	Toluene	108-88-3	Aromatic hydrocarbon
G	Diethylamine	109-89-7	Amine
Н	Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	Heterocyclic and Ether compound
I	Ethyl acetate	141-78-6	Ether
J	n-Heptane	142-85-5	Saturated Hydrocarbon
К	Sodium hydroxide 40%	1310-73-2	Inorganic base
L	Sulphuric acid 96%	7664-93-9	Inorganic mineral acid
Μ	Nitric acid 65%	7697-37-2	Inorganic mineral acid
Ν	Acetic acid 99%	64-19-7	Organic acid
0	Ammonium hydroxide 25%	1336-21-6	Organic base
Р	Hydrogen peroxide 30%	7722-84-1	Peroxide
S	Hydrofluoric acid 40%	7664-39-3	Inorganic mineral acid
Т	Formaldehyde 37%	50-00-0	Aldehyde

Each chemical tested is classified in terms of breakthrough time (performance level 0 to 6):

Measured breakthrough time	Protection index	Measured breakthrough time	Protection index
> 10 minutes	Class 1	> 120 minutes	Class 4
> 30 minutes	Class 2	> 240 minutes	Class 5
> 60 minutes	Class 3	> 480 minutes	Class 6

• Degradation test (deterioration of the physical properties of the glove in contact with the chemical) in accordance with EN 374-4: 2013

To be able to claim protection against a chemical of the list, permeation and from now degradation tests must be carried out. The results of the degradation test must appear in the information leaflet.

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Protective gloves against micro-organisms

Gloves must pass the penetration resistance test in accordance with standard EN 374-2: 2014. The possibility of claiming protection against viruses was added, if the glove passes ISO 16604: 2004 (method B) test.

