

Wireless Device Grading Scales Criteria and Definitions

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Section 1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This document defines the wireless industry common lexicon and process for grading wireless devices. The intention of this document is not to identify specific requirements for operationalizing grading scale tiers. Any business can modify the grading scale tiers and defect sizes or types per surface area to meet their business needs, including establishing bulk lots for resale. Any deviations from these grading scale criteria and definitions shall be disclosed to the customer to prevent confusion with the standards defined herein.

1.2 Scope

The scope of this document is limited to devices as defined in Table 1.3-1.

1.3 Definitions

Table 1.3-1 Definitions

Term	Definition
Customer Lock	Customer initiated lock like FMIP (Find My iPhone) for iOS, Find My Device for Android or a simple screen lock.
Device	Smartphone, feature phone, tablet, wearables, fitness trackers
Encumbrance	Any legitimate, non-physical impediment that prevents a device from being activated for service by a new user as it enters its next lifecycle.
Enterprise Lock	Device is locked by security services commonly needed for security management of mobile devices as defined in NIST Guidelines for Managing the Security of Mobile Devices in the Enterprise .
Fully Functional	Device assured functional to all original applicable OEM specifications.
LDI	Liquid Damage Indicator
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
Operator Lock	Device is locked by the network operator (example; AT&T, T-Mobile, or Verizon) to only work on one network/carrier or only accept SIM cards from one network/carrier.
PCBA	Printed Circuit Board Assembly
RF	Radio Frequency
SIM	Subscriber Identify Module
USB	Universal Serial Bus



1.4 References

- [1] NIST: Guidelines for Managing the Security of Mobile Devices in the Enterprise, Revision 1, June 2013
- [2] European Commission, Annexes to the Commission Regulation, laying down ecodesign requirements for mobile phones, cordless phones, and tablets pursuant to Directive 2009/125/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, August 2022
- [3] R2: The Sustainable Electronics Reuse and Recycling (R2) Standard, Sustainable Electronics Recycling International (SERI), Version 3.0 or later



Section 2 Grading Scales

2.1 Schema

An industry Grading Scales schema is defined to allow any seller in any secondary market of devices to universally identify cosmetic condition, functional classification, data status, lock status and kit configuration condition. Table 2.1-1 shows the Grading Scales options that define the schema.

Table 2.1-1 Grading Scales Categories

Description	Table Reference	Grading Scales Options
Cosmetic Grades	Table 2.7-1	A, B, C, D, E or N
Functional Classification		0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9
	Table 2.8-4	
Customer Lock Status (As Applicable)	Table 2.9-1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Enterprise and Operator Lock Status (As Applicable)	Table 2.9-2	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
RF Test Grading Scale (As Applicable)	Table 2.10-1	1, 2, 3, 4 or 5
Kit Configuration	Table 2.11-1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6

2.2 Cosmetic Grade Definitions

Grade A: Like new condition

- Minimal scratches and blemishes
- External LDI not triggered

See Table 2.1-1 for details on quantity and types of cosmetic defects allowed per surface area and in total.

Grade B: Light wear and tear

- Will allow more scratches and blemishes than Grade A but no lens cracks on any surface
- External LDI not triggered

See Table 2.7-1 for details on quantity and types of cosmetic defects allowed per surface area and in total.



Grade C: More aggressive wear and tear

• Will allow some cracks on certain surface areas such as camera lens, rear lens but not on display cover lens

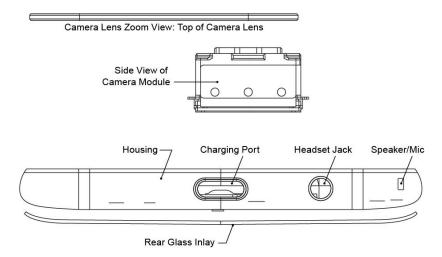


Figure 2.2-1 Camera Lens Zoom View

Externally viewable LDI not triggered

See Table 2.7-1 for details on quantity and types of cosmetic defects allowed per surface area and in total.

Grade D: Heavy cosmetic damage with cover lens cracks.

- Will have excessive damage on multiple surface areas and cracks on the cover lens but not on internal display structure
- Missing small parts such as side keys, finger print sensor, speakers, flexes, front camera, daughter boards, camera/flash lens and internal mechanical parts (Display, PCBA, Main/Rear Camera, Housing and Battery not considered small)
- Externally viewable LDI triggered but no corrosion

See Table 2.7-1 for details on quantity and types of cosmetic defects allowed per surface area and in total.



Top to Bottom Side View of Display Assembly

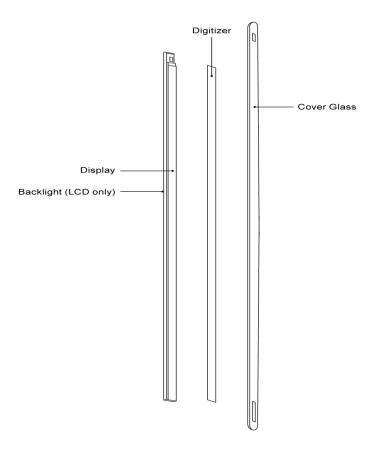


Figure 2.2-2 Top to Bottom Side View of Display Assembly

Grade E: Heavy cosmetic damage with display internal structure damage.

- Will have excessive damage on multiple surface areas including internal display structure
- Externally viewable LDI triggered with or without corrosion

See Table 2.7-1 for details on quantity and types of cosmetic defects allowed per surface area and in total.

Grade N: Not Graded.

- Device was not inspected for cosmetic defects
- Device has unknown cosmetic defects

2.3 Surface Area Definitions

During the visual inspection of a device evaluated for disposition, it is important to understand the industry defined surface areas and external, internal and connecting components of a device. These external surface areas are defined in this section:



"AA" Surface - Main (any) display and all camera lenses

- Main lens over the display *All displays if multiple displays
- Display viewing area *All displays if multiple displays
- Camera lens *All cameras if multiple cameras

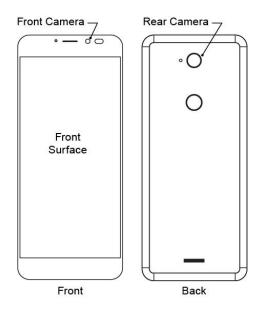


Figure 2.3-1 "AA" Surface Camera Example for Smartphones

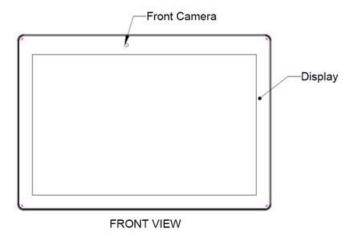


Figure 2.3-2 "AA" Surface Camera Example for Tablets



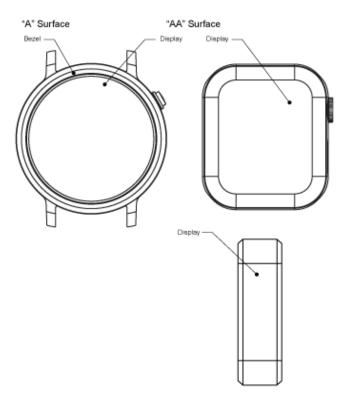


Figure 2.3-3 "AA" Surface Example for Wearables

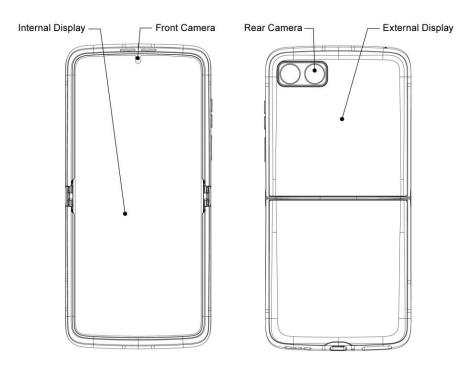


Figure 2.3-4 "AA" Surface Example for Foldable Devices

Note: Internal displays with replaceable screen protectors applied by the manufacture can be reclassified as "B" surface if the dents and scratches do not propagate to the internal displays.



"A" Surface - Front housing/glass area, not including display or camera

- Front housing only the surface areas visible when looking directly at device if not part of the back housing
- Any surface area front view that isn't a "AA" surface
- Finger print sensor

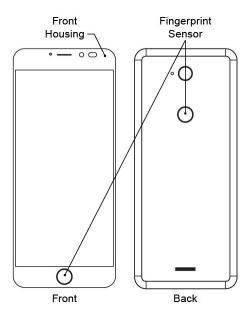


Figure 2.3-5 "A" Surface Example for Smartphones and Tablets

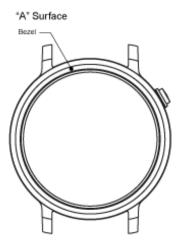


Figure 2.3-6 "A" Surface Example for Wearables





Figure 2.3-7: "A" Surface Example for Foldable Devices

"B" Surface - Sides and back of housing

- Housing sides/edges/corners/back
- SIM tray cosmetic area
- Logos
- Battery cover/door
- Side keys/buttons
- USB port area
- Headset port area
- Audio mesh grill and microphone holes
- Screws (directly visible on any external surface area)
- Other cosmetic surfaces (bezels, antennas, stylus, etc.)



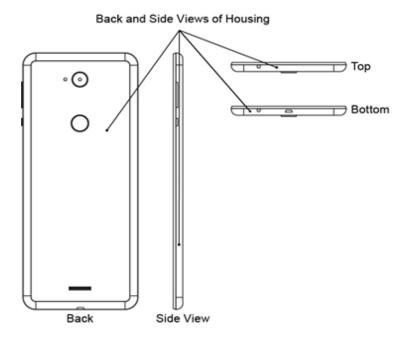


Figure 2.3-8 "B" Surface Example for Smartphones

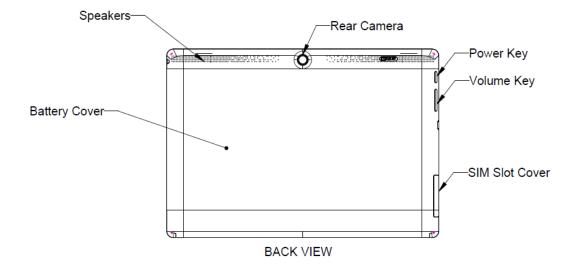
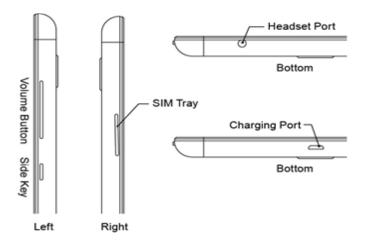


Figure 2.3-9 "B" Surface Example for Tablets





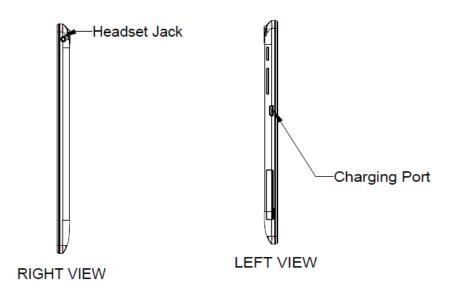


Figure 2.3-10 Side View of Tablets



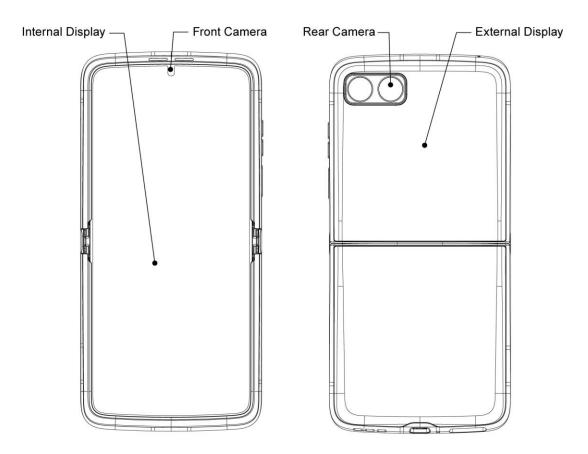


Figure 2.3-11 Right and Left View of Tablet



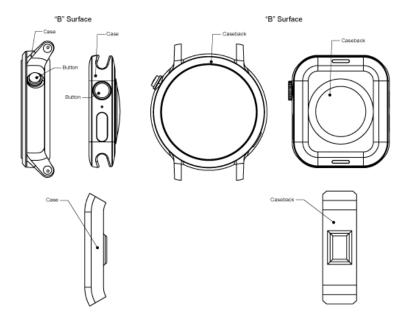


Figure 2.3-12 "B" Surface Example for Wearables

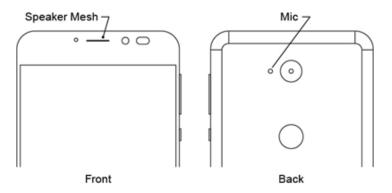


Figure 2.3-13 Audio Mesh Grill and Microphone Holes on Smartphone





Figure 2.3-14 "B" Surface Example for Foldable Devices

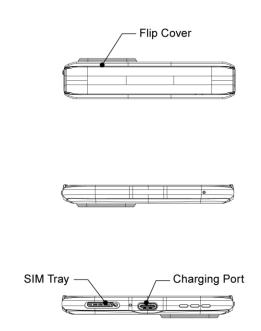


Figure 2.3-15 Flip View and Side View of Foldable Devices



"C" Surface - Contacts/connections/under covers

- Internal labels and logos (under a customer removable cover/door)
- Surfaces covered by the customer removable battery cover
- Screws covered by the customer removable battery cover
- External battery (user replaceable)

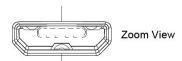


Figure 2.3-16 USB Connector



Figure 2.3-17 Lightning Connector & USB-C Connector



Figure 2.3-18 Headset Connector

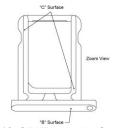


Figure 2.3-19 SIM Tray Inside Surface



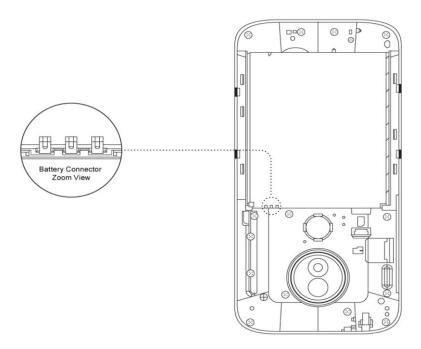


Figure 2.3-20 Battery Contacts for Customer Removable Battery

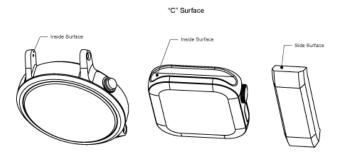


Figure 2.3-21 "C" Surface Example for Wearables

2.4 Defect Definitions Surface

"AA" Surface: Main display(s) and all camera(s) lenses

- Scratch and Dots: Elongated and/or round marks on the surface of the device
- Crack: A physical fracture in the surface of the material; glass that has broken or is starting to break
- Fingerprints under glass/lens: Skin oils or impressions from handling the lens and display during the repair/refurbishment process
- Foreign Material: Dust or other matter inside main, camera or flash lens



- Pressure Spot: Permanent damage in screen that display as Shadows on the screen, bruises, or discoloration spots
- Lint: Hair and fibers found behind main, camera or flash lens
- Smudge: Permanent stain or blotch on the main, camera or flash lens
- Alignment: Display to lens viewing area is aligned and centered
- Air Bubble: Air entrapment within and between the display and lens
- Lifted lens: Lens to housing dimension out of spec. (de-lamination or separation gaps)
- Air Entrapment in Foldable Devices: Bubbles between the internal display and housing
- Stretch marks in the internal display for foldable devices
- Internal display delamination or bleeding

Note: Any imperfection with the screen protector (installed by the manufacturer) or waves in the folding area is not considered a defect.

"A" Surface: Front of device

- Scratch and Dots: Elongated and/or round marks on the surface of the device
- Crack: A physical fracture in the surface of the material; glass that has broken or is starting to break
- Lifted lens: Lens to housing dimension out of spec. (de-lamination or separation gaps)
- Discoloration: Any change from original color and inconsistent gloss
- Dent: Indentation or nick that can be felt to the touch
- Shiny Blemish: A smoothness in the texture of the plastic, usually wide and cannot be felt
- Stains: Foreign colorant, corrosion, rust, or oxidation
- Warp: Deformation of plastic housing by bowing across flat plane
- Gaps: Gaps between surfaces within specs



"B" Surface: Back and side of housing

- Includes all defects as defined above from "A" Surface Area
- Burr: Rough edges and sharp corners
- Dusted Mesh: Dust or other matter inside mesh or microphone port
- Screw Defect: Missing, wrong type, stripped head and loose
- Defects on the replaceable screen protectors (applied by the manufacturer)
- Missing replaceable screen protectors
- Hinge can't fully close or open for foldable devices
- Loose hinge or overextended hinge for foldable devices
- Contamination in the hinge of foldable devices that prevents a smooth opening or closing
- Excessively noisy hinge for foldable devices

"C" Surface: Connectors and undercovers

- Contaminated Connector: Foreign material inside the connector
- Damage Connector: Missing, bent, corrosion and excessive wear and tear
- Battery Damage (customer removable): Warped, burned, punctured, swelled, wrinkle and missing labels
- SIM Tray Damage: Bent and loose (cannot hold SIM or SD card)
- Glue: Residue left after removing or peeling off labels
- Damage Labels: Peeling, missing. Must be fully legible

2.5 Viewing and Inspection

- 1. Visual inspection is performed at arm's length with slight bend in elbow (18 inches from face to device) with normal 20/20 vision (or corrected to 20/20 vision).
- 2. The unit should be viewed straight on and without having to rotate the unit to determine a defect.
- Inspection is performed in lighting typically found in a factory environment. The type and degree of lighting is technically described as a cool, white, fluorescent light source. A minimum of 500 lumens is recommended.
- 4. Each surface of part shall be scanned once without dwelling on any single surface (4 seconds for each surface area and 6 seconds for "AA"). Magnification is allowed only for verification of defect size. Use of tools/gauges is encouraged to aid in acceptance decisions.
- 5. "AA" surface should be tilted back 45 degrees to help identify all cracks/scratches in the surface.



2.6 Defect Levels for Scratch and Dots

Table 2.6-1 Defect Levels

	Length in Millimeters	Width in Millimeters	Length in Inches	Width in Inches
LEVEL 1	≤ 0.5mm	≤ 0.05mm	≤ 0.02 inch	≤ 0.002 inch
LEVEL 2	≤ 1.5mm	≤ 0.5mm	≤ 0.06 inch	≤ 0.02 inch
LEVEL 3	≤ 2.0mm	≤ 0.5mm	≤ 0.08 inch	≤ 0.02 inch

Note: Any defect greater than the measurements defined as a Level 3 Defect is classified to a Grade D or below.

Table 2.6-2 Dot Creation and Inspection

Dot Criteria		Dot Inspection		
Max Dot Size	1 Dot ≤ 0.5mm each	Imperfections of various shapes Inspection Dot		
Cumulative Dots Rule	2 Dots ≤ 0.4mm each	Pass: Imperfection is smaller than the inspection dot		
Max Cumulative Dots	1 Dot + 1 Dot ≤ 0.8mm	Pass. Imperiection is smaller than the inspection do		
Marginal/Questionable	Use Magnification	Fail: Imperfection is larger than the inspection dot		
Wargina Questionable		Note: Dots are not to scale		



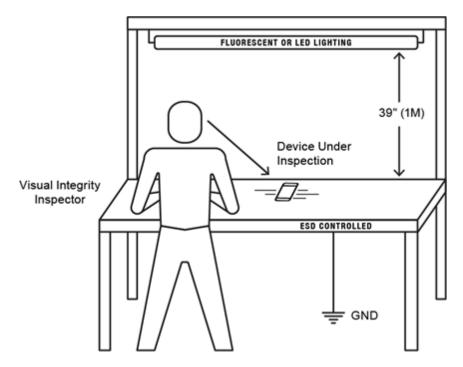


Figure 2.6-1 Viewing and Inspection

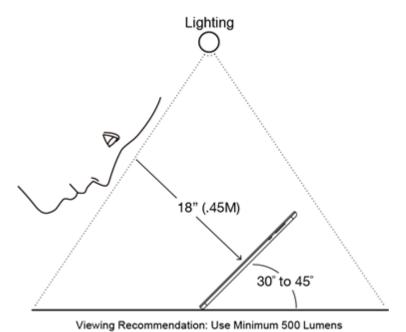
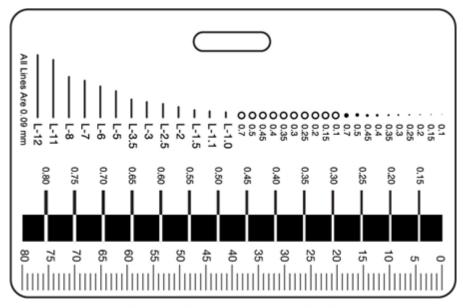


Figure 2.6-2 Lighting





Note: Not to Scale. Representative of a Standard Overlay Measurement Tool.

Figure 2.6-3 Measurement Tool

Figure 2.6-3 is an example of a generic standard measurement tool to be used in evaluating damage marks on devices.



2.7 Cosmetic Surface Area Classification

Table 2.7-1 Cosmetic Grading Scales: Defect by Surface Area Table

		General Surface Area Descriptions:			
Grade	Allowable Cosmetic Defect Levels as Defined in Section 2.6	Surface Area "AA" Main Display & All Camera Lenses	Surface Area "A" Front of Device	Surface Area "B" Back & Side Housing	Survey Area "C" Connectors & Undercovers
	Level 1 Defect Allow #	0	3	4	N/A
e A	Level 2 Defect Allow#	0	2	3	N/A
Grade A	Level 3 Defect Allow #	0	0	1	N/A
	Automatic Defect Failures* that Downgrade Device to Next Grade	All	All	All	All
	Level 1 Defect Allow#	5	10	20	N/A
	Level 2 Defect Allow#	2	5	10	N/A
æ	Level 3 Defect Allow#	2	3	5	N/A
Grade B	Automatic Defect Failures* that Downgrade Device to Next Grade	Cover Lens Cracks Camera Lens Cracks Display Damage Display Alignment Pressure Spots Air Bubbles Lifted Lens or Foreign Material Under Lens	Discoloration Gaps Cover Lens Cracks Lifted Lens	Rear Lens Cracks, Cracked Back Surface, Battery Damage, Burr, Discoloration, Warp or Dent, Gaps,Screw Defect, Hinge can't fully close or open, Loose hinge. Excessively noisy hinge	Damage Connector SIM Tray Damage Missing Parts
	Level 1 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
	Level 2 Defect Allow#	20	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
Grade C	Level 3 Defect Allow#	10	20	Unlimited	N/A
Grac	Automatic Defect Failures* that Downgrade Device to Next Grade	Cover Lens Cracks Display Damage Display Alignment Pressure Spots Air Bubbles Lifted Lens or Foreign Material Under Lens	Discoloration Cover Lens Cracks Lifted Lens	Battery Damage Warp	Damage Connector Missing Parts
	Level 1 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
ΘД	Level 2 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
Grade	Level 3 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
	Automatic Defect Failures* that Downgrade Device to Next Grade	Display Damage	Warp	Battery Damage Warp	Damage Connector
	Level 1 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
Grade E	Level 2 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
Gra	Level 3 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
	Defects Included	All	All	All	All

^(*) Automatic Defect Failures are any damage measuring greater than Level 3 as defined by DEFECT LEVELS in Table 2-2 and/or the automatic defect failure descriptions identified in this table. Table 2.7 1 Wearable Surface View and Classification



Table 2.7-2 Wearable Surface View and Classification

	Allowable Cosmetic	General Surface Area Descriptions:				
Out de	Defect Levels as	Surface Area "AA"	Surface Area "A" Bezel	Surface Area "B" Case,	Surface Area	Survey Area "C" Inner
Grade	Defined in Section 2.6	Display		Button, Back	"B" Caseback	Pin Area
	Level 1 Defect Allow #	2	3	4	6	10
Grade A	Level 2 Defect Allow #	1	2	3	5	8
Gra	Level 3 Defect Allow #	0	0	1	2	3
	Automatic Defect Failures	All	All	All	All	All
	Level 1 Defect Allow #	5	10	12	20	Unlimited
	Level 2 Defect Allow#	2	5	8	12	Unlimited
æ	Level 3 Defect Allow #	1	3	4	6	Unlimited
Grade B	Automatic Defect Failures	Cover Lens Cracks Display Damage Display Alignment Pressure Spots Air Bubbles Lifted Lens or Foreign Material Under Lens	Burr Dent Discoloration Gaps	Burr Dent Discoloration Gaps Battery Damage	Burr Dent Discoloration Gaps	Damage Pin Hole
	Level 1 Defect Allow #	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
	Level 2 Defect Allow#	20	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
ပ	Level 3 Defect Allow#	10	4	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Grade C	Automatic Defect Failures	Cover Lens Cracks Display Damage Display Alignment Pressure Spots Air Bubbles Lifted Lens or Foreign Material Under Lens	Burr Dent	Burr Dent Battery Damage	Burr Dent	Damage Pin Hole
	Level 1 Defect Allow#	All	All	All	All	N/A
de D	Level 2 Defect Allow #	All	All	All	All	N/A
Grad	Level 3 Defect Allow #	All	All	All	All	N/A
	Automatic Defect Failures	Display Damage	Damage/Missing	Battery Damage	All	Damage Pin Hole
	Level 1 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
Grade E	Level 2 Defect Allow#	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
Gra	Level 3 Defect Allow #	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	N/A
	Defects Included	All	All	All	All	All

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2.8 Functional Classifications

Examples of minor and major common failures as referenced in Table 2.8-1 below.

Table 2.8-2 General Descriptions of Common Failures

Degree of Failure	Display Failure	Other Failure
Minor	 Missing pixels but no more than three Burn-in image on bar or menu areas Touch failure for product in which the touch panel is part of the cover lens All external display defects except cracks 	 Side keys Front camera and flash Proximity and light sensor Speakers or microphones Headset jack Vibrator Finger print sensor if not linked to the main board Battery health Flip sensor
Major	 Missing pixels, more than three Burn-in image in center area Missing or discolor lines Touch failure for product in which the touch panel is part of the display Dark, white and discoloration spots Backlight brightness 	 Rear camera Dead battery Finger print sensor if linked to the main board Cannot defect SIM or SD card Does not charge Cannot connect to PC Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, GPS

Table 2.8-3 is how the industry defines key or core functionality for the purpose of conforming to the R2 Equipment Categorization (REC) definition of F3-Key Functions Working.



Table 2.8-3 Key Functionality Definition

Required to work	Function*
Yes	 Fully power up and down with power key Display turns on with color and brightness Touch functions in all applicable areas Detect SIM Makes and receives calls Functional earpiece and primary microphone Charge and discharge Battery health at 70% or higher
No	 Volume keys Vibrator Cameras and flash Fingerprint sensor Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, NFC, and GPS SD card detections Headset jack Wireless charging Proximity and light sensor Connectivity to other devices Backlight brightness
*As applicable	

Table 2.8-4 defines Functional Classification for grading scales criteria as referenced in Table 2.1-1.

Table 2.8-4 Functional Classifications

Туре	Power On	Display Failure ¹	Other Failure
0= Fully Functional	Yes	No	No
1	Yes	No	No
2	Yes	Minor	No
3	Yes	Minor	Minor
4	Yes	Minor	Major
5	Yes	Major	Minor
6	Yes	Major	Major
7	Yes	Inoperable	Unverified
8	No	Unverified	Unverified
9	Not Tested or Functionality Unverified		
Note: For type 0-6, the display was verified to power up.			



Table 2.8-5 Battery Health Thresholds

Туре	Battery Health
1	≥ 80%
2	70% - 79%
3	< 70%

Recommended battery health threshold should be equal to or greater than 70% for fully functional classification. For Europe, the recommended battery health threshold should be 80% for fully functional classification [2]. For battery health equal to Type 3, under the REC for Key Functions Working, the battery may or may not be considered functional. A wireless device should function as such that it can be used as a wireless device by an ordinary user for the expected amount of time one would use a wireless device without being plugged into a power source.

2.9 Lock Status

Table 2.9-1 further defines Customer Lock Status for grading scales criteria as referenced in Table 2.1-1.

Table 2.9-1 Customer Lock Status

Туре	Cleared Customer Content/Data Wipe	Customer Locked Table 1.3-1
1	Yes	No
2	Yes	Yes
3	No	No
4	No	Yes
5	Unverified	Unverified

Note: Any device must have Type 1 Customer Locked status to be considered a functional device in accordance with the R2v3 REC.



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Table 2.9-2 further defines Enterprise and Operator Lock Status for grading scales criteria as referenced in Table 2.1-1.

Table 2.9-2 Enterprise and Operator Lock Status

Туре	Enterprise Locked	Operator Locked
1	No	No
2	No	Yes
3	Yes	No
4	Yes	Yes
5	Unverified	Unverified

Note: Any device must have Type 1 or Type 2 Enterprise Locked status to be considered a functional device in accordance with the R2v3 REC.

2.10 RF Grading Scale

Table 2.10-1 further defines RF Test Grading Scale for grading scales criteria as referenced in Table 2.1-1.

Table 2.10-1 RF Test Grading Scale

Туре	Test Details	
1	No RF test was conducted	
2	Passed RF test conducted by making a live call	
3	Failed RF test conducted by making a live call	
4	Passed RF test conducted using an RF shielded box	
5	Failed RF test conducted using an RF shielded box	



2.11 Kit Configuration

Table 2.11-1 further defines Kit Configuration for grading scales criteria as referenced in Table 2.1-1.

Table 2.11-1 Kit Configuration

Туре	Kit Configuration Details
1	Kitted with OEM charger (block and cord)
2	Fully kitted with OEM charger (block and cord) and headset
3	Kitted with aftermarket charger
4	Fully kitted with aftermarket charger and headset
5	Bulk device, not kitted with any accessories
6	Transceiver only (No battery or back cover if designed to be customer removable parts)



Section 3 Grading Scales Matrix: Cosmetic Grading Scales Cross Reference with Functional Classification

3.1 Cosmetic Grading Scales Cross Reference with Functional Classification

Table 3.1-1 below is a general example of how to create a cosmetic and functional classification matrix. Any combination or cross reference can be utilized to fit multiple business requirements as needed.

Table 3.1-1 Example Grading Scale Matrix

Primary Grade	Cosmetic	Functional	Battery Health	Customer Lock Status	Enterprise and Operator Lock Status	RF Test ¹	Field Usage
A+	А	0 or 1	1 or 2	1	1	2 or 4	0-15 days
Α	А	0 or 1	1 or 2	1	1	2 or 4	Any
B+	В	0 or 1	1, 2 or 3	1	1	2 or 4	Any
В	В	0, 1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 4	Any
C+	С	0 or 1	1, 2 or 3	1	1	2 or 4	Any
С	С	0, 1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 4	Any
D+	D	0, 1, 2 or 3	1, 2 or 3	1	1	Any	Any
D	D	0, 1, 2, 3 or 4	3	1, 2, 3 or 4	1, 2, 3 or 4	Any	Any
E+	E	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 9	3	1, 2, 3 or 4	1, 2, 3 or 4	Any	Any
Е	Е	Any	3	Any	Any	Any	Any

Note 1: RF not applicable for Wi-Fi only devices.

Any deviations from the grading scale criteria and definitions shall be disclosed to the customer to prevent confusion with the standards defined herein.



Section 4 Simplified Cosmetic Grading Classification for Wearables

Table 4.1-1 below is an *example* of how to create a simplified version of cosmetic grading only for wearables. Any combination or cross reference can be utilized to fit multiple business requirements as needed.

Table 4.1-1 Example Wearable Simplified Cosmetic Grading

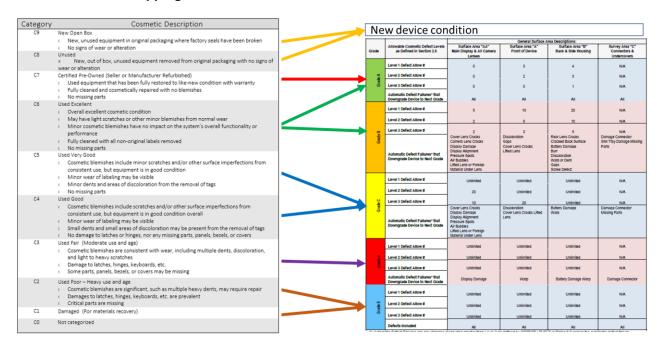
Surface => Grade	Display	Bezel	Case	Caseback	Band
А	≤ 2 L1 defects ≤ 1 L2 defects	≤ 3 L1 defects ≤ 2 L2 defects	≤ 4 L1 defects ≤ 3 L2 defects ≤ 1 L3 defects	≤ 6 L1 defects ≤ 5 L2 defects ≤ 2 L3 defects	Like new inbox condition
В	≤ 5 L1 defects ≤ 2 L2 defects ≤ 1 L3 defects	≤ 10 L1 defects ≤ 5 L2 defects ≤ 3 L3 defects	≤ 12 L1 defects ≤ 8 L2 defects ≤ 4 L3 defects	≤ 20 L1 defects ≤ 12 L2 defects ≤ 6 L3 defects	Refurbish or recondition
С	Unlimited L1 defects ≤ 20 L2 defects ≤ 10 L3 defects	Unlimited L1 & L2 defects ≤ 4 L3 defects Dent, Discoloration, Gaps	Unlimited L1, L2 & L3 defects Dent, Discoloration, Gaps	Unlimited L1, L2 & L3 defects Dent, Discoloration, Gaps	N/A



Cross-reference analysis of R2v3 Functional Product Categories versus CTIA Appendix A **Wireless Device Grading Scales Definitions**

The following provides a mapping illustration between the cosmetic description and functional product categories defined in the R2 Equipment Categorization (REC) and the CTIA functional and cosmetic grading scales. The intent of the mapping is to help identify correlations and alignment between the standards.

A.1 Cosmetic Mapping Illustration



R2v3 Cosmetic Description Categories order was reversed for a better comparison.



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A.2 Cosmetic Mapping Detail

REC Cosmetic Category	CTIA Grade
C0	Grade N: Not Graded
C1	Grade E: Heavy cosmetic damage with display internal structure damage.
C2	Grade E: Heavy cosmetic damage with display internal structure damage.
C3	Grade D: Heavy cosmetic damage with cover lens cracks.
C4	Grade C: More aggressive wear and tear
C5	Grade C: More aggressive wear and tear
C6	Grade A: Like new condition
	Grade B: Light wear and tear
C7	Grade A: Like new condition
C8	Grade New: New Condition
C9	Grade New: New Condition

A.3 Functional Mapping Detail

REC Functional Category	CTIA Functional Classification
F1	Not applicable for wireless devices
F2	Not applicable for wireless devices
F3	Type 2
F4	Not applicable for wireless devices
F5	Type 1
F6	0= Fully Functional with cosmetic "A" Grade

R2v3 does not have functional categories for CTIA Functional Classifications 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. Devices with CTIA functional classifications 3-9 are subject to R2 controlled streams as equipment/components for test & repair.



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A.4 Cross Reference Chart - Acceptable Functional and Cosmetic Categories Combined

R2V3 REC (Functional and Cosmetic)	CTIA Grading Scales (Functional and Cosmetic)	
F6, C7	0, A	
F5, C6	1, A-B	
F3, C3-C6	2, A-D	

Additional considerations for R2 Certified Facilities for functioning equipment and components not subject to downstream R2 control are as follows:

- Data Sanitization Status: Wireless devices must be logically sanitized with software in accordance with Appendix B [3]. When no software exists that fully automates, controls, and records the data sanitization results, wireless devices must be processed in accordance with R2v3 Formal Interpretation #1.0 [3].
- Lock Status: Wireless devices with encumbrances, of any type that prohibit the wireless device from being tested for functionality, cannot be classified as Functional. Therefore, these wireless devices are R2 Controlled Streams.
- Battery Health: For battery health equal to Type 3, under the REC for Key Functions Working [3] the battery may or may not be considered functional. A wireless device should function as such that it can be used as a wireless device by an ordinary user for the expected amount of time one would use a wireless device without being plugged into a power source.
- Wireless devices that do not meet the above requirements cannot be categorized as Functional Product no longer subject to downstream R2 control. Those wireless devices are R2 Controlled Streams subject to downstream vendor qualifications in accordance with Appendix A [3].



Appendix B Revision History

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