iPhone grading guide

Cosmetic condition / Testing status / Battery requirements

Tested and Untested identify testing status separately from cosmetic grade. Tested refers to the stated checks; confirm the exact QC scope and batch notes before purchase. Untested does not mean every unit is faulty, and does not guarantee full functionality.

Tested devices

LN / Like New Grade - Premium Tested Device

Clean display surface with no scratches. Excellent frame condition; near-new appearance. Clean back glass.

Front - Display: Clean display surface with no scratches.

Housing: Excellent frame condition; near-new appearance.

Back Glass: Clean back glass.

Battery: Battery Health 100%, Cycle Count <= 5

Battery Health / 100% / Cycle Count / <5

AB+ Grade - Premium Tested Device

Clean display surface with no scratches. The housing and back glass are generally in good condition.

Front - Display: Clean display surface with no scratches.

Housing: (1) May show light scratches, coating wear, or minor oxidation, typically without noticeable dents; or (2) some units may show paint loss, oxidation, and a limited number of minor dents.

Back Glass: Generally in good condition, with possible light scratches or minor oxidation; no significant damage.

Battery: Battery Health > 85%, Cycle Count <800

Battery Health Minimum / 85% / Cycle Count / <800

Untested devices

Full functions are not verified. Any stated power-on or LCD condition is a limited observation. Unknown faults may be present. Battery health is unverified unless an explicit threshold is stated.

A Grade - Light Signs of Use

Good overall cosmetic condition with light signs of use.

Front glass: No scratches on the display surface; very few units might have very light scratches.

Housing: May show light scratches, paint chipping, or oxidation, typically without noticeable dents.

Back glass: Generally in good condition, with possible very light scratches or minor oxidation.

Battery health is not tested / verified.

AB Grade - Visible Cosmetic Wear

Normal signs of use, with more noticeable cosmetic wear.

Front glass: May have very light scratches; some units may have a very small area of deeper scratches.

Housing: May show paint chipping, oxidation, and a limited number of very minor dents.

Back glass: May show scratches or light oxidation, with no significant damage.

Battery health is not tested / verified.

B+ Grade - Good Frame

Typically features a relatively cleaner frame and back glass, but heavier scratching on the display.

Front glass: Multiple scratches may be present, including noticeable or deeper scratches. The front glass may be cracked or broken.

Housing: The frame is generally in relatively good condition, but may show paint chipping, oxidation, or 1-3 noticeable dents.

Back glass: May show scratches, wear, or oxidation, typically without significant damage.

Battery health is not tested / verified.

B Grade - Regular Used Condition

More noticeable display wear with an average-condition frame.

Front glass: There are noticeable scratches, including a limited number of deeper scratches.

Housing: Shows normal signs of use, including paint chipping, oxidation, or dents.

Back glass: May show scratches, wear, or light oxidation; the back glass is generally intact.

Battery health is not tested / verified.

D Grade - Working LCD

Working LCD with heavy cosmetic wear. Units may have heavy display/frame wear, cracked or broken front glass, or cracked or broken back glass. Functions are untested, and unknown faults may be present.

Front glass: LCD is functional and displays normally. The display surface may be heavily scratched, and the front glass may be cracked or broken.

Housing: May show severe scratches, paint loss, oxidation, dents, or deformation.

Back glass: May show heavy scratches, cracks, damage, or broken back glass.

Battery health is not tested / verified.

E Grade - Damaged LCD

Faulty LCD with heavy cosmetic wear. Units may have heavy display/frame wear, cracked or shattered front glass, or cracked or shattered rear glass. Functions are untested, and unknown faults may be present.

Front glass: LCD is faulty or damaged. Possible conditions include no display, LCD bleeding, display lines, or other display abnormalities. Units may also contain an aftermarket, non-genuine, or otherwise non-original display.

Housing: May show severe scratches, paint loss, oxidation, dents, or deformation.

Back glass: May show heavy scratches, cracks, damage, or broken back glass.

Battery health is not tested / verified.

Before ordering

Confirm model, storage, grade mix, testing scope, battery requirements, lock status and batch-specific exceptions in the agreed order specification. Cosmetic grade alone does not establish battery health or activation / account-lock status.

The source page lists Like New cycles as both <5 and <=5, and AB+ battery health as both minimum 85% and >85%. Confirm these exact thresholds in the order specification.

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