

QUALITY CONTROL OF COLOURLESS DIAMOND BATCHES CONDITIONS & DESCRIPTIONS

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1. CONTROLLED CRITERIA AND RESULTS REPORTED IN THE REPORT

Colour¹: Predominant colour and the quantity of diamonds exhibiting a colour outside the predominant category. Colour categories are D/E, F/G, H, I/J, K/L, M and beyond. The predominant colour is not indicated for batches containing fewer than 20 stones. For specific requirements or tailored specifications, please contact us.

Clarity¹: Distribution across clarity categories: LC/VVS, VS, SI, and Piqué.

Finish²: Distribution across the categories "Excellent to Very Good", "Good", "Medium" and "Poor".

Fluorescence: From "None", "Slight", "Medium" to "Strong." The number of diamonds outside the client's specifications is indicated.

Dimensions (round only): Diameter and height, from smallest to largest.

Proportions (round only): Distribution across the categories "Excellent to Very Good," "Good", "Medium" and "Poor".

2. QUALITY CONTROL OF ROUND AND FANCY-SHAPED DIAMONDS

1. Batch specifications :

A melee batch consists of colourless, faceted, and clean diamonds.
All diamonds assessed for quality control are also verified for naturality.
Please refer to the document "COLOURLESS MELEE - TERMS & PRICING".

2. Quality control of a melee batch:

Fewer than 91 diamonds: quality control is performed on all diamonds (100% control).
From 91 diamonds onward: the batch is inspected by sampling, with random selection according to the table below:

Batch size	91 à 150	151 à 280	281 à 500	501 à 1'200	1'201 à 3'200	3'201 à 10'000	10'001 à 35'000	35'001 à 150'000
Sample size	20	32	50	80	125	200	315	500

The quality control of diamonds is based on the general recommendations of ISO 6893 (2024-04).
The batch is returned without quality sorting, and the sample is placed back into the batch.

3. DELIVERY, TURNAROUND TIME & PRICING

Each batch submitted to SSEF must be accompanied by the "Order Form for Small Diamonds."

Standard turnaround time: 10 working days.

Express service available upon request (5 working days, surcharge applies).

Each batch is returned sealed.

Pricing available online at ssef.ch/small-diamonds-testing/ or upon request at diamonds@ssef.ch.

1. Accepted diamonds: color D–J, clarity LC–SI2
2. Finish : Polish and symmetry