

# GUIDE TO THE RAPAPORT® PRICE LISTS

The Rapaport Price List is commonly used by dealers as a guideline for evaluating natural diamond prices. Readers should understand the List's standards for describing diamonds, as well as its limitations and how it can be used to aid buyers and sellers. The Round and Pear Shape Price Lists are published online every month.

## HIGH ASKING PRICES

The Price List quotes Rapaport opinion of high cash asking prices for Rapaport Diamond Specification A3 and better natural diamonds. These prices may be substantially higher than actual transaction prices. It is most common for the diamond trade to transact at discounts to the List. However, select quantities that are in short supply or subject to speculative demand may trade at significant premiums to the List.

Detailed information about discounts is provided online in real time via our RapNet® and RapX® diamond trading networks. They are also included in the Trade Sheets published in this magazine.

The level of discount or premium is influenced by many factors, including diamond quality and cut, credit/memo terms, the location and type of market, the liquidity level of particular size-quality combinations, and the associated risk of ownership. The easier it is to sell a diamond, the lower its discount to the List. Hard-to-sell diamonds often trade at large discounts. Very in-demand, scarce diamonds may trade at premiums.

## DIAMOND SPECIFICATIONS

The Price List relates to Rapaport Diamond Specification A3 or better natural diamonds that are graded based on Gemological Institute of America (GIA) standards (except for SI-3, an additional intermediate non-GIA grade).

**CAUTION:** Grading laboratories use subjective methods of analysis. The same diamond may be evaluated differently by different labs or even each time it is submitted to the same lab.

Grading reports and our Price List do not replace the human factor in evaluating diamond quality or price determination. The Rapaport Price List does not provide transaction prices, but price indications that serve only as guidelines — a starting point for negotiations and a basis for estimating value. Buyers and sellers are advised to consult with experts before trading diamonds.

## RAPAPORT DIAMOND SPECIFICATION A3

The Rapaport Price List is based on the following specifications:

RAPAPORT	RAPAPORT DIAMOND SPECIFICATION A3
Grading report	GIA
Shape	Round brilliant
Cut	Excellent
Polish	Excellent
Symmetry	Excellent
Culet	None
Depth %	58.5%-63.5%
Table %	55%-62%
Girdle	No extremely thin, extremely thick or very thick
Fluorescence	None
Weight	No .00 sizes for 1.00 and larger
GIA comments	No GIA color comment
GIA comments	No knot or cavity
GIA comments	For SI1 or lower, no "Clarity based on cloud"
Seller requirement	No green tint
Seller requirement	No Marange diamonds

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### CUT SPECIFICATION

The Price List relates to fine-cut Rapaport Specification A3 or better diamonds. Additional Rapaport specifications are available at [rapaport.com/rapspec](http://rapaport.com/rapspec). These specifications are subject to change without prior notice.

## PRICE INDICATIONS FOR 6- TO 9-CARAT DIAMONDS

Approximate percentage increases from 5-carat prices for larger sizes\*

These indications should only be used as guidelines. Large stones are very thinly traded, and prices may vary significantly from dealer to dealer and stone to stone. Availability of large, better-quality stones may be limited, and buyers may find that asking prices and/or transaction prices may be significantly higher or lower than these price indications. This price information should only be used as a general indication of the current market.

\* Asking price indications are based on Rapaport Cut Specification A3 or better.

## PRICE INDICATIONS FOR BLUE FLUORESCENT DIAMONDS

The impact of fluorescence on price depends on its noticeability. In some cases, fluorescence gives the stone a milky-white appearance, which greatly lowers value. In some instances, the fluorescence is hardly noticeable and has minimal impact on the stone's brilliance. Blue fluorescence gives lower-color stones a whiter, brighter face-up appearance. Yellow or white fluorescence is problematic and may require an additional 5% to 10% discount. Generally, the higher the quality and price per carat, the more fluorescence lowers value. In the table below, we present our estimation of the price gap between nonfluorescent polished round diamonds, and polished round diamonds that show varying degrees of fluorescence. The percentages represent the average price difference for each of the size, color and clarity categories indicated. 📍

APPROXIMATE % INCREASE OVER 5-CARAT PRICES						
6 CARAT RAPAPORT		IF-VVS	VS	SI	I1	I2-I3
	D-F	0%	0%	7%	5%	5%
	G-H	5	5	3	3	3
	I-K	5	5	3	3	3
	L-M	5	5	3	2	2
7 CARAT RAPAPORT		IF-VVS	VS	SI	I1	I2-I3
	D-F	15%	12%	12%	7%	7%
	G-H	15	15	12	7	7
	I-K	15	15	12	5	5
	L-M	15	15	12	5	5
8 CARAT RAPAPORT		IF-VVS	VS	SI	I1	I2-I3
	D-F	25%	23%	20%	15%	15%
	G-H	20	20	20	15	15
	I-K	20	20	20	10	10
	L-M	20	20	20	10	10
9 CARAT RAPAPORT		IF-VVS	VS	SI	I1	I2-I3
	D-F	30%	25%	25%	20%	20%
	G-H	30	25	25	20	20
	I-K	30	25	25	15	15
	L-M	25	25	25	15	15

APPROXIMATE % CHANGES FROM NONFLUORESCENT					
As of May 7, 2024					
			FAINT	MEDIUM	STRONG
0.30 - 0.49 CT.	D-F	IF-VVS2	-12%	-18%	-21%
		VS1-VS2	-9%	-13%	-16%
		SI1-SI2	-7%	-10%	-13%
	G-H	IF-VVS2	-9%	-13%	-16%
		VS1-VS2	-7%	-10%	-12%
		SI1-SI2	-5%	-7%	-9%
I-K	IF-VVS2	-5%	-9%	-11%	
	VS1-VS2	-4%	-7%	-9%	
	SI1-SI2	-3%	-5%	-7%	
0.50 - 0.99 CT.	D-F	IF-VVS2	-15%	-20%	-25%
		VS1-VS2	-12%	-16%	-20%
		SI1-SI2	-9%	-13%	-16%
	G-H	IF-VVS2	-11%	-15%	-19%
		VS1-VS2	-9%	-12%	-16%
		SI1-SI2	-6%	-9%	-12%
I-K	IF-VVS2	-6%	-9%	-13%	
	VS1-VS2	-4%	-7%	-10%	
	SI1-SI2	-3%	-6%	-9%	
1.00 - 2.99 CT.	D-F	IF-VVS2	-17%	-22%	-29%
		VS1-VS2	-14%	-19%	-24%
		SI1-SI2	-10%	-14%	-18%
	G-H	IF-VVS2	-12%	-17%	-22%
		VS1-VS2	-10%	-14%	-18%
		SI1-SI2	-8%	-11%	-15%
I-K	IF-VVS2	-7%	-11%	-15%	
	VS1-VS2	-5%	-8%	-12%	
	SI1-SI2	-4%	-7%	-10%	

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