

## Non-latex glove alternatives

<b>Material type</b>	<b>Strength</b>	<b>Softness</b>	<b>Elasticity</b>	<b>Tear Strength</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Natural rubber	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Good	Low
Polyisoprene	Good	Very Good	Very Good	Moderate	High
Nitrile	Good	Good	Good	Poor	Moderate
Neoprene	Good	Good/Very Good	Good/Very Good	Poor	Moderate / High
Block copolymers	Good	Good	Very Good	Fair	Moderate / High
PVC	Fair	Good	Poor	Poor	Low
Polyurethane	Very Good	Good	Good	Good	High

Personal protective gloves providing chemical resistance are available in a wide variety of materials and thicknesses. Glove suppliers should be consulted to ensure that the correct glove choice is made.

Tensile strength: The force needed to pull the material apart

Softness: The ease with which a material stretches

Elasticity: How far a material stretches before it breaks

Tear strength: The amount of force needed to tear the material, when damage already exists