



# NYFC Proposed Scoring & Grading System

TrustedSafe<sup>™</sup> and the New York Fitness Coalition (NYFC) propose to generate letter grades showing hygienic inspection results for NYS-based fitness facilities. Facilities with a score between 0 and 15 points earn an A, those with 16 to 25 points receive a B and those with 35 or more a C. Inspection results will be maintained on TrustedSafe.org.

# **Fitness Facility Inspections: ATP Thresholds**

A fitness facilities score depends on meeting certain ATP RLU thresholds based on a minimum of 10 random high touch-point samples. These include various pieces of equipment and areas within locker rooms, front-of-house, enclosed studios, etc. Each sample will return an RLU value which is converted into points, ex. RLU \* .01%. At the end of the inspection, the inspector totals the points and this number is the facilities score, the lower the score, the better.

Levels on certain items do not increase or decrease the grade, as the higher overall ATP level will demonstrate building-wide noncompliance and potential high-risk cross contamination, if applicable. As a result, weighted items are not necessary.

The conversion formula is as follows:

- 0 1500 RLU | 0 15 PTS | A
- 1600 2500 RLU | 16 25 PTS | B
- 2600 3500 RLU | 26 35 PTS | C

**Note**: additional guidelines will be created based on facility features such as steam rooms, food service, daycare, etc. This is meant as an initial guideline.

## When Is a Score Converted to a Grade?

Two types of inspections result in a letter grade:

- Initial inspections for which the facility earns an A
- Re-inspections that result in an A, B or C.

A facility has one chance to earn an A every other monthlyinspection cycle. If it does not earn an A on the first inspection, it is scored but ungraded. The following month, the facility is inspected again and graded. If the grade is a B or C, the facility will receive a notice of the grade and a review of a cleaning protocol that must be implemented for it to adhere to stricter cleaning protocols now in place. Each month, the facility will be re-graded based on that current score.

Until a facility has a grade, it is not considered a "TrustedSafe" facility and can not be listed on the website.

# Which Inspections Are Not Graded?

The following are scored but not graded:

- Initial inspections that result in a score of 35 points or higher
- Ongoing inspections at a facility that has a C rating.
   TrustedSafe™ may continue to inspect the facility twice a month until it scores below 35 or recommend disciplinary measures for serious and persistent violations.
- Inspections at a gym not yet open to the public.
- An inspection at a facility following an appeal.
- Some inspections in response to complaints.

### More Information

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