




# Symmetry (SY)

Symmetry refers to the precision with which the facets of a diamond are aligned with each other and the consistency of facet shape and size per given section. The symmetry rating reflected on a diamond grading report is not an indication of the proportions of a diamond.

CODE	DESCRIPTION	IMAGE
(ID) IDEAL	No misshapen or miss-aligned facets are visible when the diamond is viewed under 10x magnification. High magnification, such as 30x may be used to locate any mis-aligned or misshapen facets. The brilliance of a diamond with Ideal Symmetry will be noticeably superior to that of a diamond with a symmetry rating of Excellent.	
(EX) EXCELLENT	No misshapen or mis-aligned facets are visible when the diamond is viewed under 10x magnification. High magnification, such as 30x may be used to locate any mis-aligned or misshapen facets. The brilliance of a diamond with Excellent Symmetry will be noticeably superior to that of a diamond with a symmetry rating of Very Good.	
(VG) VERY GOOD	Represents diamonds that contain one or two minor symmetry characteristics that can be found under 10x magnifications. Higher magnification will again be used by the grader to locate these areas easily. The degree of brilliance between a diamond graded as Very Good in Symmetry and one graded as having Good Symmetry is still noticeably different, however, it is practically impossible for the average consumer to distinguish between Very Good and Excellent or Ideal Symmetry without a lot of coaching.	
(GD) GOOD	Numerous inconsistencies of facet alignment and shape are visible under 10 x magnifications. As a bare minimum, we recommend that a round brilliant cut diamond have a symmetry rating of Very Good or better. However, it is important to note that it is difficult to have Excellent or Very good symmetry in most of fancy shape diamonds so generally it carries Good symmetry.	