

# KPS<sup>TM</sup> Consumer Guide

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# Introduction: Why Purity Needs Clarity

Purity matters. It has for thousands of years. Yet today's systems are confusing: 24k gold, 999 silver, 950 platinum, and copper left in the shadows. The Karat Purity Scale (KPS™) brings all metals into one transparent, universal system: 0–24, one number, globally understandable.

## The Legacy of Confusion

- Gold: Measured in karats (24k = pure, 18k = 75%).
- Silver: Measured in millesimal fineness (925 = 92.5%).
- Platinum/Palladium: Often expressed as 950, 999.
- Copper: Rarely purity-stamped for consumers, despite its central role in trade and technology and increasingly art. More and more frequently Art bars and Bullion.

Result: buyers are confused, markets inefficient, and some metals undervalued in perception.

# The KPS<sup>TM</sup> Formula and Principles

The Formula:

KPS = (% purity × 24) ÷ 100 Design Principles:

- Universality: Works for all metals.
- Simplicity: Single 0-24 scale.
- Continuity: Rooted in gold's 24k tradition.
- Transparency: Published tolerances (±0.10 / ±0.05).



# Universal Conversion Tables

Gold: Karats to KPS™

Karat	% Purit	y   KPS™	Value
24k	99.9%	24	
22k	91.6%	22	
18k	75.0%	18	
14k	58.5%	14	
9k	37.5%	9	

Silver: Fineness to KPS™

Mark	% Purity	y   KPS™ Value
999	99.9%	24
958	95.8%	23
925	92.5%	22
800	80.0%	19

Silver: Fineness to KPS™

Mark	% Purity	KPS''*	Value
958   9 925   9			

Copper: Fineness to KPS™

Type   % F	urity	KPS	™ Valւ 	ie
Oxygen-Free High Co Electrolytic Tough Pite				
Commercial Pure Copper		99.0	0%	24
Alloyed Copper	95.0	00%	23	



## Tolerance Standards

Jewellery Grade: ±0.10 KPSInvestment Grade: ±0.05 KPS

This reflects real-world assay and minting variances, adapted from the gold karat system but applied universally.

# CommonSensus<sup>TM</sup> Thinking Applied to KPS<sup>TM</sup>

- CommonSensus™ = truth through evidence, not tradition.
- Challenges bias (gold "above" copper).
- Accepts history (copper purity mattered in 1750 BC).
- Seeks clarity (one number for all).
- Evolves with data (ready for digital certification)

# Case Study: The Ea-Nāṣir Copper Complaint (1750 BC)

- Fact: The world's oldest known customer complaint (British Museum).
- Details: Merchant Ea-Nāṣir sold impure copper ingots to Nanni, who rejected them.
- Lesson: Purity disputes are not new; copper was already being judged for quality.

KPS Insight: Had KPS™ existed, that dispute could have been resolved transparently.



# Practical Applications of KPS<sup>TM</sup>

#### **Jewellery Certification:**

- Gold, silver, platinum hallmarks converted to KPS™.
- Consumers instantly understand relative purity.

#### **Bullion & Investment:**

- KPS™ tolerance ensures transparent grading.
- Reduces disputes in international bullion trade.

#### **Industrial Metals & Sustainability:**

- Copper purity critical to conductivity and carbon efficiency.
- KPS™ provides measurable ESG reporting tool.

## Future of Purity Measurement

- **Digital Certification:** KPS values embedded in blockchain or NFC tags.
- Al-Powered Verification: Machines reading and verifying KPS hallmarks.
- Global Standardisation: Adoption across jewellery, electronics, and investment markets.

### Conclusion & Call to Action

- Purity matters. For gold, silver, copper for every metal. For 3,750 years, humanity has demanded fairness in trade. The Karat Purity Scale (KPS™) delivers the clarity our ancestors wanted and our future markets demand. It will be stamped alongside during the transition phase.
- Next Step: Download the interactive conversion charts. Adopt
   KPS™ alongside existing hallmarks in your trade. Join the
   CommonSensus™ approach to make purity clear, universal, and fair.