Likelihood of Failure	Criteria: Occurrence of Cause - DFMEA (Design life/reliability of item/vehicle)	Criteria: Occurrence of Cause - PFMEA (Incidents per items/vehicles)	Rank
Very High	New technology/new design with no history.	≥ 100 per thousand ≥ 1 in 10	10
High	Failure is inevitable with new design, new application, or change in duty cycle/operating conditions.	50 per thousand 1 in 20	9
	Failure is likely with new design, new application, or change in duty cycle/operating conditions.	20 per thousand 1 in 50	8
	Failure is uncertain with new design, new application, or change in duty/operating conditions.	10 per thousand 1 in 100	7
Moderate	Frequent failures associated with similar designs or in design simulation and testing.	2 per thousand 1 in 500	6
	Occasional failures associated with similar designs or in design simulation and testing.	.5 per thousand 1 in 2,000	5
	Isolated failures associated with similar design or in design simulation and testing.	.1 per thousand 1 in 10,000	4
Low	Only isolated failures associated with almost identical design or in design simulation and testing.	.01 per thousand 1 in 100,000	3
	No observed failures associated with almost identical design or in design simulation and testing.	≤ .001 per thousand 1 in 1,000,000	2
Very Low	Failure is eliminated through preventative control.	Failure is eliminated through preventive control.	1