Medical Grade	Recommendations	Non-Medical Grade	Recommendations
20-30 mmHg (Prescription Needed)	 Venous thrombosis prevention with travel Relief from varicose veins, edema, venous insufficiency Prevention of venous stasis ulcers 	8-15 mmHg	 Very light compression Assists in aiding minor swelling/fluid retention in lower limbs
30-40 mmHg (Prescription Needed)	 Severe varicose veins relief, edema, lymphedema, post episode of deep venous thrombosis Recommended for severe vascular insufficiency Should be monitored under close practitioner supervision 	15-20 mmHg	 Most commonly used compression rating in sport Assists in reducing leg fatigue Ideal for prolonged periods of sitting such as when traveling Relief from minor swelling/varic ose veins Recommende d during pregnancy
40-50 mmHg (Prescription Needed)	 Extra-firm compression Recommended for severe venous insufficiency or post-thrombotic syndrome Should be monitored under close practitioner supervision 		