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Introduction

This International Standard specifies requirements and procedures for carrying out basic audiometric tests in which pure tones are presented to the test subject using earphones or bone vibrators. Electrophysiological test methods are not included.

In order to obtain a reliable measure of hearing ability, many factors are involved. IEC 60645-1 specifies requirements for audiometers. It is essential that audiometric equipment, when in service, be checked and the calibration maintained. This part of ISO 8253 outlines a calibration scheme. To avoid masking of the test signal by ambient noise in the audiometric test room, the levels of the ambient noise shall not exceed certain values, depending upon the method of signal presentation to the test subject, i.e. by different earphones or by bone vibrator. This part of ISO 8253 gives maximum permissible ambient sound pressure levels which shall not be exceeded when hearing threshold levels down to 0 dB have to be measured. It indicates the maximum ambient sound pressure levels which are permissible when other minimum hearing threshold levels require measurement. It sets out procedures for determining hearing threshold levels by pure-tone air conduction and bone conduction audiometry. For screening purposes, only methods for air conduction audiometry are outlined.

Audiometry can be performed by using:

- a) a manual audiometer;
- b) an automatic recording audiometer;
- c) computer-controlled audiometric equipment.

Methods for threshold audiometry are given for these three types of signal presentation. For screening purposes, only methods using a manual or a computer-controlled audiometer are set out. The procedures are applicable to the majority of adults and children. Other procedures may yield results equivalent to those derived by the procedures specified in this part of ISO 8253. For very young, aged or sick people, some modification of the recommended procedures is likely to be required. This may result in a less accurate measurement of hearing.

Acoustics — Audiometric test methods —

Part 1:

Pure-tone air and bone conduction audiometry

1 Scope

This part of ISO 8253 specifies procedures and requirements for pure-tone air conduction and bone conduction threshold audiometry. For screening purposes, only pure-tone air conduction audiometric test methods are specified. It is possible that the procedures are not appropriate for special populations, e.g. very young children.

This part of ISO 8253 does not cover audiometric procedures to be carried out at levels above the hearing threshold levels of the subjects.

Procedures and requirements for speech audiometry, electrophysiological audiometry, and where loudspeakers are used as a sound source are not specified.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 389-1, *Acoustics — Reference zero for the calibration of audiometric equipment — Part 1: Reference equivalent threshold sound pressure levels for pure tones and supra-aural earphones*

ISO 389-2, *Acoustics — Reference zero for the calibration of audiometric equipment — Part 2: Reference equivalent threshold sound pressure levels for pure tones and insert earphones*

ISO 389-3:1994, *Acoustics — Reference zero for the calibration of audiometric equipment — Part 3: Reference equivalent threshold force levels for pure tones and bone vibrators*

ISO 389-5, *Acoustics — Reference zero for the calibration of audiometric equipment — Part 5: Reference equivalent threshold sound pressure levels for pure tones in the frequency range 8 kHz to 16 kHz*

ISO 389-8, *Acoustics — Reference zero for the calibration of audiometric equipment — Part 8: Reference equivalent threshold sound pressure levels for pure tones and circumaural earphones*

IEC 60645-1:2001, *Electroacoustics — Audiological equipment — Part 1: Pure-tone audiometers*

IEC 61260, *Electroacoustics — Octave-band and fractional-octave-band filters*

IEC 61672-1, *Electroacoustics — Sound level meters — Part 1: Specifications*

ISO/IEC Guide 98-3, *Uncertainty of measurement — Part 3: Guide to the expression of uncertainty in measurement (GUM:1995)*