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attenuation measurement**

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## 1 Scope

This standard applies to measurements of shielding attenuation of shielded enclosures (chambers, rooms) in the frequency range 9 kHz - 40 GHz. The object of this standard is to establish a common measurement procedure for validating the shielding effectiveness of a shielded enclosure.

## 2 Normative references

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IEC 50(161) 1990 International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV)  
Chapter 161: Electromagnetic Compatibility

## 3 Definitions

For the purposes of this standard the definitions contained in IEC 50(161) apply.

## 4 General points relating to shielding effectiveness

### 4.1 Shielding

Shield attenuation can be calculated only in ideal cases. The most significant factor is that the shielded enclosure should be homogeneous and consist of materials whose properties are defined in every respect. In practice, deviations from these conditions may be so great that the calculation results only in approximate values.

### 4.2 Shield attenuation

The shield attenuation is given by (see figure 1)

$$a_s = 20 \log(E_0 / E_1) \text{ for the electric field}$$
$$a_s = 20 \log(H_0 / H_1) \text{ for the magnetic field}$$

where:

$a_s$  is the shield attenuation in dB.

$E_0$  and  $H_0$  are the E and H field strengths at a location without shielding between the transmitting and receiving antennas (reference level).

$E_1$  and  $H_1$  are the E and H field strengths at the same location as above with shielding between the transmitting and receiving antennas.

Figure 2 shows typical shield attenuation values of a state of the art shielded enclosure.