
**Acoustics — Laboratory and field
measurement of flanking transmission
for airborne, impact and building
service equipment sound between
adjoining rooms —**

**Part 1:
Frame document**

*Acoustique — Mesurage en laboratoire et sur site des transmissions
latérales du bruit aérien, des bruits de choc et du bruit d'équipement
technique de bâtiment entre des pièces adjacentes —*

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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 10848-1:2006), which has been technically revised with the following changes:

- a) extension to field measurements;
- b) extension to building service equipment;
- c) normalized direction-averaged vibration level difference for junctions between lightweight elements has been introduced;
- d) an assessment method for the decrease in vibration level with distance has been introduced;
- e) transmission function measurements with a calibrated structure-borne sound source has been introduced;
- f) definitions of element types A and B to avoid issues with the terms “heavy” and “light” have been added.

A list of all the parts in the ISO 10848 series can be found on the ISO website.

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Part 1: Frame document

1 Scope

ISO 10848 (all parts) specifies measurement methods to characterize the flanking transmission of one or several building components. These measurements are performed in a laboratory test facility or in the field.

The performance of the building components is expressed either as an overall quantity for the combination of elements and junction (such as the normalized flanking level difference and/or normalized flanking impact sound pressure level) or as the vibration reduction index of a junction or the normalized direction-average vibration level difference of a junction.

Two approaches are used for structure-borne sound sources in buildings, a normalized flanking equipment sound pressure level and a transmission function that can be used to estimate sound pressure levels in a receiving room due to structure-borne excitation by service equipment in a source room. The former approach assumes that flanking transmission is limited to one junction (or no junction if the element supporting the equipment is the separating element), and the latter considers the combination of direct (if any) and all flanking transmission paths.

This document contains definitions, general requirements for test elements and test rooms, and measurement methods. Guidelines are given for the selection of the quantity to be measured, depending on the junction and the types of building elements involved. Other parts of ISO 10848 specify the application for different types of junction and building elements.

The quantities characterizing the flanking transmission can be used to compare different products, or to express a requirement, or as input data for prediction methods, such as ISO 12354-1 and ISO 12354-2.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 717-1, *Acoustics — Rating of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements — Part 1: Airborne sound insulation*

ISO 717-2, *Acoustics — Rating of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements — Part 2: Impact sound insulation*

ISO 3382-2, *Acoustics — Measurement of room acoustic parameters — Part 2: Reverberation time in ordinary rooms*

ISO 7626-1, *Mechanical vibration and shock — Experimental determination of mechanical mobility — Part 1: Basic terms and definitions, and transducer specifications*

ISO 7626-5, *Vibration and shock — Experimental determination of mechanical mobility — Part 5: Measurements using impact excitation with an exciter which is not attached to the structure*

ISO 10140-4:2010, *Acoustics — Laboratory measurement of sound insulation of building elements — Part 4: Measurement procedures and requirements*

ISO 10140-5:2010, *Acoustics — Laboratory measurement of sound insulation of building elements — Part 5: Requirements for test facilities and equipment*

IEC 61183, *Electroacoustics—Random-incidence and diffuse-field calibration of sound level meters*

IEC 61260 (all parts), *Electroacoustics — Octave-band and fractional-octave-band filters*

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

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

3.1 average sound pressure level in a room

L

ten times the common logarithm of the ratio of the space and time average of the sound pressure squared to the square of the reference sound pressure, the space average being taken over the entire room with the exception of those parts where the direct radiation of a sound source or the near field of the boundaries (walls, etc.) is of significant influence

Note 1 to entry: This quantity is expressed in decibels.

Note 2 to entry: If a continuously moving microphone is used, L is determined as follows:

$$L = 10 \lg \left(\frac{\frac{1}{T_m} \int_0^{T_m} p^2(t) dt}{p_0^2} \right)$$

3.2 normalized flanking level difference

$D_{n,f}$

difference in the space and time averaged sound pressure level produced in two rooms by one or more sound sources in one of them, when the transmission only occurs through a specified flanking path and the result is normalized to an equivalent sound absorption area in the receiving room as follows:

$$D_{n,f} = L_1 - L_2 - 10 \lg \frac{A}{A_0}$$

where

L_1 is the average sound pressure level in the source room, in dB;

L_2 is the average sound pressure level in the receiving room, in dB;

A is the equivalent sound absorption area in the receiving room, in m²;

A_0 is the reference equivalent sound absorption area, in m²; $A_0 = 10 \text{ m}^2$

Note 1 to entry: This quantity is expressed in decibels.