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à des perturbations électriques par rayonnement d'énergie
électromagnétique en bande étroite —*

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The main changes are as follows:

- update in [Table 1](#);
- update on modulations (type and frequency range);
- technical revision of [Annex B](#);
- new [Annex D](#) on broadband test signal generation;
- new [Annex E](#) on evaluation of test instrumentation uncertainties.

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Introduction

In recent years, an increasing number of electronic devices for controlling, monitoring and displaying a variety of functions have been introduced into vehicle designs. It is necessary to consider the electrical and electromagnetic environment in which these devices operate.

Electrical and radio-frequency (RF) disturbances occur during the normal operation of many items of motor vehicle equipment. They are generated over a wide frequency range with various electrical characteristics and can be distributed to on-board electronic devices and systems by conduction, radiation or both. Narrowband signals generated from sources on or off the vehicle can also be coupled into the electrical and electronic system, affecting the normal performance of electronic devices. Such sources of narrowband electromagnetic disturbances include mobile radios and broadcast transmitters.

The characteristics of the immunity of a vehicle to radiated disturbances should be established. The ISO 11451 series provides various test methods for the evaluation of vehicle immunity characteristics (not all methods need be used to test a vehicle).

The ISO 11451 series is not intended as a product specification and cannot function as one (see [A.1](#)). Therefore, no specific values for the test severity level are given.

It is important to consider protection from potential disturbances in a total system validation, and this can be achieved using the various parts of the ISO 11451 series.

NOTE Immunity measurements of complete vehicles are generally able to be carried out only by the vehicle manufacturer, owing to, for example, high costs of absorber-lined shielded enclosures, the desire to preserve the secrecy of prototypes or a large number of different vehicle models. The ISO 11452 series specifies test methods for the analysis of component immunity, which are better suited for supplier use.

Road vehicles — Vehicle test methods for electrical disturbances from narrowband radiated electromagnetic energy —

Part 1: General principles and terminology

1 Scope

This document specifies general conditions, defines terms, gives practical guidelines and establishes the basic principles of the vehicle tests used in the ISO 11451 series, for determining the immunity of passenger cars and commercial vehicles to electrical disturbances from narrowband radiated electromagnetic energy, regardless of the vehicle propulsion system (e.g. spark-ignition engine, diesel engine, electric motor).

The electromagnetic disturbances considered are limited to continuous narrowband electromagnetic fields. A wide frequency range (0,01 MHz to 18 000 MHz) is allowed for the immunity testing in the ISO 11451 series.

2 Normative references

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CISPR 16-1-2:2014+AMD1:2017 CSV, *Specification for radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus and methods — Part 1-2: Radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus — Coupling devices for conducted disturbance measurements*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

1 dB compression point

input signal level at which a system becomes non-linear, when the output value will deviate by 1 dB of the value given by an ideal linear system

3.2

absorber-lined shielded enclosure

ALSE

shielded enclosure (3.34) with radio frequency (RF) absorbing material on its internal ceiling and walls

Note 1 to entry: The common practice is for the room to have a metallic floor, but absorbing material can also be used on the floor.