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Stationary test conditions**



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## Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee AV-003, Acoustics Human Effects, to supersede AS 2012.2—1990, *Acoustics—Measurement of airborne noise emitted by earth-moving machinery and agricultural tractors—Stationary test condition, Part 2: Operator’s position*.

The objective of this Standard is to specify a method for determining the emission sound pressure level of earth-moving machinery at the operator’s position, measured in terms of the time-averaged A-weighted emission sound pressure level while the machine is stationary with the engine operating at the rated speed under no-load conditions. It is applicable to earth-moving machinery as defined in ISO 6165 and specified in AS ISO 6393:2019.

This Standard is identical with, and has been reproduced from ISO 6394:2008, *Earth-moving machinery — Determination of emission sound pressure level at operator’s position — Stationary test*, and its Corrigendum 1 (2009), which has been added at the end of the source text.

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## Foreword

ISO (the International Organization for Standardization) is a worldwide federation of national standards bodies (ISO member bodies). The work of preparing International Standards is normally carried out through ISO technical committees. Each member body interested in a subject for which a technical committee has been established has the right to be represented on that committee. International organizations, governmental and non-governmental, in liaison with ISO, also take part in the work. ISO collaborates closely with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) on all matters of electrotechnical standardization.

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 6394:1998), which has been technically revised.

## Introduction

This International Standard is a specific test code for earth-moving machinery as defined in ISO 6165. It is an extension of ISO 11201, which contains the general requirements of many types of machinery and equipment.

Specific procedures are described in this International Standard to enable the time-averaged A-weighted emission sound pressure level in stationary test conditions to be determined in a manner which is repeatable. Attachments (bucket, dozer, etc.) for the manufacturer's production version are intended to be fitted since this is the configuration most likely to exist when the machine is in actual use.

This International Standard enables compliance with noise limits to be determined, if applicable. It can also be used for evaluation purposes in noise reduction investigations.

A complementary test code is given in ISO 6393. This other specific test code is intended to be used to determine the noise emitted by earth-moving machinery in terms of the A-weighted sound power level with the machine under stationary test conditions.

Corresponding measurements of noise emitted to the environment and noise at the operator's position under dynamic test conditions are described in ISO 6395 and ISO 6396, respectively.

# Australian/New Zealand Standard

## Earth-moving machinery—Determination of emission sound pressure level at operator's position—Stationary test conditions

### 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for determining the emission sound pressure level of earth-moving machinery at the operator's position, measured in terms of the time-averaged A-weighted emission sound pressure level while the machine is stationary with the engine operating at the rated speed under no-load conditions.

It is applicable to earth-moving machinery as defined in ISO 6165 and specified in ISO 6393:2008, Annex A.

### 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 3411, *Earth-moving machinery — Physical dimensions of operators and minimum operator space envelope*

ISO 6165, *Earth-moving machinery — Basic types — Identification and terms and definitions*

ISO 6393:2008, *Earth-moving machinery — Determination of sound power level — Stationary test conditions*

ISO 9249, *Earth-moving machinery — Engine test code — Net power<sup>1)</sup>*

ISO 11201, *Acoustics — Noise emitted by machinery and equipment — Measurement of emission sound pressure levels at a work station and at other specified positions — Engineering method in an essentially free field over a reflecting plane<sup>2)</sup>*

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

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 11201, ISO 6165 and the following apply.

#### 3.1

#### **time-averaged A-weighted sound pressure level**

$L_{pA,T}$

A-weighted sound pressure level averaged on an energy basis over the whole measurement period,  $T$

### 4 Instrumentation

The instrumentation shall be capable of carrying out measurements as described in [Clause 8](#). The preferred instrumentation system for acquiring the data is an integrating-averaging sound level meter complying with the requirements of IEC 61672-1 for a class 1 instrument.

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1) To be published. (Revision of ISO 9249:1997)

2) To be published. (Revision of ISO 11201:1995)