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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee AV-003, Acoustics Human Effects.

The objective of this Standard is to describe procedures for periodic testing of time-weighting, integrating-averaging, and integrating sound level meters that were designed to conform to the class 1 or class 2 specifications of the second edition of AS/NZS IEC 61672.1. The aim of this Standard is to ensure that periodic testing is performed in a consistent manner by all laboratories.

The purpose of periodic testing is to ensure the user that the performance of a sound level meter conforms to the applicable specifications of AS/NZS IEC 61672.1 for a limited set of key tests and for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed.

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The main technical changes with regard to the previous edition are as follows:

In this second edition, conformance to specifications is demonstrated when:

- a) measured deviations from design goals do not exceed the applicable acceptance limits, and
- b) the uncertainty of measurement does not exceed the corresponding maximum-permitted uncertainty, with both uncertainties determined for a coverage probability of 95 %.

The text of this second edition is based on that of the first edition and the following documents:

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Part 3: Periodic tests

1 Scope

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NOTE 1 In this document, references to IEC 61672-1, IEC 61672-2, and IEC 61672-3 refer to the second editions unless stated otherwise.

NOTE 2 Procedures for the periodic testing of sound level meters designed to conform to the specifications of IEC 61672-1:2002 were given in IEC 61672-3:2006.

The purpose of periodic testing is to assure the user that the performance of a sound level meter conforms to the applicable specifications of IEC 61672-1 for a limited set of key tests and for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed.

The extent of the tests in this part of IEC 61672 is deliberately restricted to the minimum considered necessary for periodic tests.

Periodic tests described in this edition of IEC 61672-3 apply to sound level meters for which the manufacturer claims conformance to the specifications of the second edition of IEC 61672-1. Periodic tests described in this part of IEC 61672 apply to sound level meters for which the model has been, or has not been, pattern approved by an independent testing organization responsible for pattern approvals in accordance with the test procedures of the second edition of IEC 61672-2.

Because of the limited extent of the periodic tests, if evidence of pattern approval is not publicly available, no general conclusion about conformance to the specifications of IEC 61672-1 can be made, even if the results of the periodic tests conform to all applicable requirements of this edition of IEC 61672-3.

2 Normative references

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IEC 61094, *Electroacoustics – Sound calibrators*

IEC 61094-5, *Measurement microphones – Part 5: Methods for pressure calibration of working standard microphones by comparison*

IEC 61094-6, *Measurement microphones – Part 6: Electrostatic actuators for determination of frequency response*

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