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Road vehicles — Injury risk curves for the evaluation of occupant protection in side impact tests

1 Scope

This Technical Report provides injury risk curves to assess occupant protection in side impact tests. The curves are given for the WorldSID 50th, a mid-size adult male side impact dummy. Injury risk curves for other side impact dummies could be added as soon as the necessary material is available and processed as described in this Technical Report. These dummies are used during tests carried out according to ISO 10997 or which are under investigation by regulatory bodies and consumer testing organizations.

2 Methodology

2.1 Selection of PMHS sample to be used for the construction of the injury risk curves

An in-depth review of the postmortem human subjects (PMHS) tests available in the literature and in the NHTSA database (<http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/database/asp/foodb/querytesttable.aspx>) was performed. The listed tests were analysed in order to determine if they could be accurately repeated with dummies and included in the construction of injury risk curves.

This clause summarizes the series of tests that were conducted by body region and type of loading. Reasons for including or excluding each particular test series are detailed. The PMHS characteristics are provided in the form of related electronic documents available through the ISO website and detailed in [Clause 4](#). The detailed descriptions of the PMHS configurations allowing the reproduction of the test with a dummy are presented in [Annex A](#) to [Annex E](#), as well as the reasons for inclusion or exclusion.

The rigid and padded head impactor tests conducted by Calspan[18] were included and are detailed in [Annex A](#). The head impactor tests of the Highway Safety Research Institute (HSRI)[51] were excluded because the impact speeds were not known. The head impactor tests of the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute (UMTRI) (NHTSA database) were excluded because the impactor characteristics were not known.

The whole body drop tests with head impact conducted by Wayne State University (WSU)[22], those conducted by the Association Peugeot-Renault (APR) without helmet, and the head drop tests conducted by Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW)[56] were included and are detailed in [Annex A](#). The whole body drop tests with head impact conducted by APR with helmet were excluded because the helmet properties were unknown.

The shoulder impactor tests performed by APR[2], INRETS[14] [15] [17], and WSU[26] [30] were included. The shoulder impactor tests conducted by Ohio State University (OSU) on a rigid bench were also included [3] [4]. These configurations are detailed in [Annex B](#). The oblique shoulder impactor tests performed by OSU on a 1996 Ford Taurus seat were excluded because the characteristics of the seat were unknown.

All, but one, of the thorax impactor tests conducted by HSRI[43] [44] [45] were included. The single-impact WSU thorax impactor test[54] [55] was also included. The UMTRI[34] [35] and OSU[49] thorax impactor tests were included when the level of load was deemed to be below the threshold of rib fracture (700 N), such that the fractures could be attributed to the final high-speed impact. These test configurations are detailed in [Annex C](#). The 76T038 HSRI test was excluded because the data were questionable. The HSRI tests 77T079 and 77T080 were excluded because it does not seem realistic to have 18 rib fractures for 2 165 N of impact force. All the WSU and INRETS[16] multi-impact tests, as well as some UMTRI tests (83E085, 83E086, 83E106, 83E107, 83E108) and OSU tests (05050TH25L01, 0505LTH25R01, 05060TH25R01, 0506LTH25L01, 0601LTH25L01, 06010TH25R01), were excluded because it was not possible to determine which impact caused each injury.