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1 Scope

This part of International Standard 62271 provides methods for the measurement of sound pressure level produced by outdoor alternating current circuit-breakers in a free-field environment. These methods may also be used indoors or in restricted field, provided that precautions are observed in the measurement and interpretation of the results.

2 Terms and definitions

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

2.1

A-weighted sound level

sound level as measured on a sound level meter using a setting that emphasizes the middle frequency components similar to the frequency response of the human ear at levels typical of rural backgrounds in mid frequencies

2.2

ambient noise

all noises that exist in an area that are not related to a facility or equipment under consideration

Note 1 to entry: Ambient noise includes sound from other industrial noise, transportation sources, animals, and nature, etc.

2.3

ambient sound level

ASL

sound level that is a composite of different airborne sounds from many sources far away from and near the point of measurement

Note 1 to entry: The ASL does not include any sound from the facility or equipment under consideration and is measured without it.

Note 2 to entry: The ASL is measured under representative conditions.

Note 3 to entry: As with comprehensive sound levels, representative conditions do not constitute absolute worst-case conditions but conditions that portray typical conditions for the area.

2.4

bands

octave

1/3 octave

series of electronic filters separate sound into discrete frequency bands, making it possible to know how sound energy is distributed as a function of frequency

Note 1 to entry: Each octave band has a centre frequency that is double the centre frequency of the octave band preceding it. The 1/3 octave band analysis provides a finer breakdown of sound distribution as a function of frequency.