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# Standard Classification for ~~Determination of Impact Insulation Class (IIC)~~ Single-Number Metrics for Impact Noise<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope

1.1 This classification provides a method for determining a rating that can be used to compare the levels of impact noise generated by a standard tapping machine and transmitted through different floor-ceiling assemblies.

1.2 The name given to the rating is assigned by the test method that invokes this classification.

1.3 This classification is applicable only to one third octave band impact noise data obtained using the standard tapping machine described in Test Methods [E492](#) and [E1007](#).

1.4 Test methods that invoke this classification include:

1.4.1 *Test Method [E492](#)* — the single-number rating is called impact insulation class (IIC).

1.4.2 *Test Method [E1007](#)* — the single-number ~~rating~~ ~~is ratings are~~ called ~~field~~ apparent impact insulation class (~~FHC~~); (AIIC), impact sound rating (ISR), and normalized impact sound rating (NISR).

1.4.3 *Test Method [E2179](#)* — the single-number rating is called the change in impact insulation class ( $\Delta$ IIC).

1.5 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate ~~safety~~ safety, health, and health ~~environmental~~ environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.6 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

## 2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*<sup>2</sup>

[C634](#) Terminology Relating to Building and Environmental Acoustics

[E492](#) Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Impact Sound Transmission Through Floor-Ceiling Assemblies Using the Tapping Machine

[E1007](#) Test Method for Field Measurement of Tapping Machine Impact Sound Transmission Through Floor-Ceiling Assemblies and Associated Support Structures

[E2179](#) Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of the Effectiveness of Floor Coverings in Reducing Impact Sound Transmission Through Concrete Floors

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<sup>2</sup> For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org), or contact ASTM Customer Service at [service@astm.org](mailto:service@astm.org). For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.