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for impact tests**

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# Road vehicles — Data exchange format for impact tests

## 1 Scope

This Technical Report specifies a data format to exchange impact test measurements and data between laboratories.

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Technical Report. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this Technical Report are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 1000, *SI units and recommendations for the use of their multiples and of certain other units*.

ISO 8601, *Data elements and interchange formats — Information interchange — Representation of dates and times*.

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## 3 Data medium

Physical: floppy disc 3,5" for example, or any other medium

Data format: DOS format

Data code: ASCII

## 4 File structure

### 4.1 Units

All data shall be expressed in SI units, in particular for:

- acceleration, in metres per second squared;
- velocity, in metres per second (see ISO 1000).

### 4.2 Organization

The information are stored in several files: one "test descriptor" file for the whole test and one "test channel" file for each channel. The content descriptor is not required in each line.

The information given in 4.3 and 4.4 is to be considered as essential but complementary information may be added at the end of each file. Each line specified in 4.3 and 4.4 shall be documented.

## 2 Normative references

### 4.3 Test descriptor file

This file contains general information concerning the test. Each piece of information is separated by a "carriage return" and "line feed" (CR/LF). Each character string may contain up to 80 characters. Information within one string shall be separated by one space.

Name: "filename".ISO, where "filename" has up to 8 characters and is specific to the test.

Content:

Name of the laboratory	
Contact name	Person to contact in case of problems
Contact phone	
Contact fax	
Name of the customer	
Laboratory test reference number	
Customer test reference number	
Title	
Medium number/number of media	
Comments: Test object designation	Use REM to indicate comments line, for example angle
Type of the test	
Date of the test according to ISO 8601	
Number of test objects	<i>p</i>
Name of object 1	
Name of object 2	
..	
Name of object <i>p</i>	
Velocity of object 1 in metres per second	
Velocity of object 2 in metres per second	
...	
Velocity of object <i>p</i> in metres per second	
Mass of object 1 in kilograms	
Mass of object 2 in kilograms	
...	
Mass of object <i>p</i> in kilograms	
Sign convention and instrumentation standard	Including edition date
Number of channels	<i>n</i>
Name of channel 1	Corresponding to file "filename.001"
Name of channel 2	Corresponding to file "filename.002"
...	
Name of channel <i>n</i>	Corresponding to file "filename. <i>n</i> "

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Any number of additional lines may be added to provide more information.

An example of the test descriptor file is given in clause A.1.

### 4.4 Test channel file

This file contains information concerning the specific channel and all its measurement values expressed in physical balanced units. Each piece of information is separated by a "carriage return" and a "line feed" (CR/LF).

Name: "filename".NN, where NNN is the channel number.

## Content:

/Customer test reference number	
/Test object number	
/Name of the channel	A code may be used
/Location	
/Direction	
/Filter type	Antialiasing filter specification or cut off frequency
/Filter class	xx
/Channel amplitude class	
/Sampling interval	Time step expressed in seconds
/Unit	0 means digital channel
/Comments	Use REM to indicate comments line
/Time of first sample, in seconds	
/number of samples	<i>m</i>
Value of sample 1	See note
Value of sample 2	
..	
Value of sample <i>m</i>	

NOTE All the values should start by a number or a sign (+ or –) followed by a number.

An example of the test channel file is given in clause A.2.

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## Annex A (informative)

### Examples of test descriptor and test channel files

#### A.1 Example of a test descriptor file

File name H0031G.ISO
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ISO/TC22/SC12/WG3 SAFETY LABORATORY

M. DUPONT

33.1.47.69.00.00

33.1.47.69.00.00

ISO/TC22/SC12/WG6 SAFETY LABORATORY

H0031G

CUSTOMER TEST REFERENCE NUMBER

23.4 Kg IMPACTOR THORAX DROP TEST

1/2

REM CALIBRATION OF THORAX

PART 572 HYBRID III 50TH THORAX

2002/08/13

2

IMPACTOR

THORAX

6.4

0

23.4

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IMPACTOR VELOCITY

IMPACTOR ACCELERATION

STERNUM DISPLACEMENT

THORAX ACCELERATION

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## A.2 Example of a test channel file

File name H0031G.002
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/CUSTOMER TEST REFERENCE NUMBER
/1
/IMPACTOR ACCELERATION
/IMPACTOR REAR CENTER
/X
/4 POLES BUTTERWORTH PHASELESS DIGITAL FILTER
/180
/2000
/0.0001
/m/s2
/REM COMMENTS
/REM COMMENTS AGAIN
/-0.02
/2201
0.0005
0.0009
0.001
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