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antilock braking systems (ABS) —
Measurement of braking performance**

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Foreword

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for testing the braking performance of motor vehicles of categories M and N, as defined in UNECE (United Nations Economic Commission for Europe) Regulation No. 13, equipped with antilock braking systems (ABS).

NOTE Pending the harmonization of national and international braking standards, regulations and directives, the test method itself is based on UNECE Regulation No. 13.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard 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 611, *Road vehicles — Braking of automotive vehicles and their trailers — Vocabulary*

ISO 1176, *Road vehicles — Masses — Vocabulary and codes*

ISO 3833, *Road vehicles — Types — Terms and definitions*

ISO 7638 (all parts) 1997, *Road vehicles — Electrical connectors for braking systems*

UNECE Regulation No. 13:1996¹⁾, *Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to braking*

3 Terms, definitions and symbols

For the purposes of this International Standard, the terms and definitions given in ISO 611, ISO 1176 and ISO 3833, and the following terms, definitions and symbols (see Table 1) apply.

3.1

category M vehicle

power-driven vehicle having at least four wheels or having three wheels when the maximum mass exceeds 1 t, and used for the carriage of passengers

[UNECE Regulation No. 13]

1) Incorporating the 09 series of amendments, but without the supplements to those amendments.

3.2
category N vehicle

power-driven vehicle having at least four wheels or having three wheels when the maximum mass exceeds 1 t, and used for the carriage of goods

[UNECE Regulation No. 13]

3.3
directly controlled wheel

wheel whose braking force is modulated according to data provided at least by its own sensor

NOTE Antilock braking systems with select-high control are deemed to include both directly and indirectly controlled wheels. In devices with select-low control, all sensed wheels are deemed to be directly controlled wheels.

3.4
indirectly controlled wheel

wheel whose braking force is modulated according to data provided by sensor(s) of other wheel(s)

NOTE Antilock braking systems with select-high control are deemed to include both directly and indirectly controlled wheels. In devices with select-low control, all sensed wheels are deemed to be directly controlled wheels.

Table 1 — Symbols

Symbol	Description	Unit
E	Wheelbase	m
ε	Vehicle adhesion utilized: quotient of the maximum braking rate with the antilock system operative (ε_{AL}) and the coefficient of adhesion (k)	1
ε_i	ε value measured on axle i , in the case of a power-driven vehicle with a category 3 antilock braking system (see clause 4)	1
ε_H	ε value on the high-adhesion surface	1
ε_L	ε value on the low-adhesion surface	1
F	Force	N
F_{dyn}	Normal reaction of road surface under dynamic conditions and with antilock system operative	N
F_{idyn}	F_{dyn} on axle i in case of power-driven vehicles or full trailers	N
F_i	Normal reaction of road surface on axle i under static conditions	N
F_1	Normal reaction of road surface on axle 1 under static conditions	N
F_2	Normal reaction of road surface on axle 2 under static conditions	N
F_M	Total normal static reaction of road surface on all wheels of power-driven (towing) vehicle	N
F_{Mnd}^a	Total normal static reaction of road surface on the unbraked upon and non-driven axles of the power-driven vehicle	N
F_{Md}^a	Total normal static reaction of road surface on the unbraked upon and driven axles of the power-driven vehicle	N
F_{wM}^a	$0,01 F_{Mnd} + 0,015 F_{Md}$	N
g	Acceleration due to gravity (9,81 m/s ²)	m/s ²
h	Height of center of gravity specified by the manufacturer and agreed by the technical service conducting the approval test	m
h_k	Height of fifth wheel coupling (king pin)	m
k	Coefficient of adhesion between tyre and road	1
k_f	k factor of one front axle	1

Table 1 — Symbols (continued)

Symbol	Description	Unit
k_H	k value determined on the high-adhesion surface	1
k_i	k value determined on axle i for a vehicle with a category 3 antilock braking system (see clause 4)	1
k_L	k value determined on the low-adhesion surface	1
k_{lock}	Value of adhesion for 100 % slip	1
k_M	k factor of the power-driven vehicle	1
k_{peak}	Maximum value of the curve "adhesion versus slip"	1
k_r	k factor of one rear axle	1
P	Mass of individual vehicle	kg
R	Ratio of k_{peak} to k_{lock}	—
t	Time interval	s
t_m	Mean value of t	s
t_{min}	Minimum value of t	s
v_{max}	Maximum speed	km/h
z	Braking rate	1
z_{AL}	Braking rate z of the vehicle with the antilock system operative	1
z_m	Mean braking rate	1
z_{mf}	Mean braking rate of front axle	1
z_{mr}	Mean braking rate of rear axle	1
z_{max}	Maximum value of z	1
z_{MALS}	z_{AL} of the power-driven vehicle on a "split-surface"	1

^a In the case of two-axled power-driven vehicles, F_{Mnd} and F_{Md} may be simplified to the corresponding F_i symbols.

4 General

Antilock braking systems (ABS) are divided into the following three categories:

- category 1 ABS, which meet all the requirements of UNECE Regulation No. 13:1996, annex 13;
- category 2 ABS, which meet all the requirements of UNECE Regulation No. 13:1996, annex 13, excepting those of 5.3.5 (no braking rate on split-adhesion surfaces is prescribed);
- category 3 ABS, which meet all the requirements of UNECE Regulation No. 13:1996, annex 13, excepting those of 5.3.4 and 5.3.5 (all split-adhesion surface tests are omitted).

The test method used will depend on the ABS category. The manufacturer should therefore declare this category before testing commences.

Where type I and II tests are combined with the method given in this International Standard, the antilock tests shall be carried out after completing all type 0 laden and unladen tests and before starting the type I and type II tests.

As an alternative, all the measurements, including the warm-up runs, retarder tests and antilock tests of the laden vehicle may be performed first, followed by all the measurements with the unladen vehicle. The sequence of tests shall be noted.

In this International Standard, where a value is indicated between square brackets [...] it is taken from UNECE Regulation No. 13.

5 Test apparatus

5.1 Vehicle speed-measuring equipment and, optionally, stopping distance- or deceleration-measuring equipment, or both, capable of producing a permanent record of these criteria during braking. The recording system shall also produce a timebase.

5.2 Pedal-effort or line-pressure gauge, or both, and pressure transducers.

5.3 Equipment for ascertaining when and for how long the wheels directly controlled by an ABS actually lock during the test (optional).

5.4 0,5 l reservoir, for motor vehicles authorized to draw a trailer fitted with airbrakes [see clause 13 e)].

5.5 Device for isolating the energy source, for ABS dependent on non-muscular energy or on energy assistance [see clause 13 f)].

5.6 Adjustable pressure-limiting valves, which could be required in the line to each wheel that will be used during the determination of k_{peak} (see clause 9).

5.7 Equipment for indicating the point of transition of the vehicle from low-to high-adhesion surface on the permanent record (optional) [see 12.2 b)].

5.8 Means of measuring steering wheel angles (optional) — only for vehicles fitted with category 1 or 2 ABS (see 12.1.2).

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6 Test area

6.1 The test area shall consist of a surface providing a peak coefficient of adhesion, k_{peak} , of [0,3], of sufficient size to enable the tests to be performed in safety. However, until such test surfaces become generally available, tyres at the limit of wear and higher values of up to 0,4 may be used at the discretion of the technical service carrying out the tests. The actual value obtained and the type of tyres and surface shall be recorded.

6.2 The test area shall be both preceded and followed by a surface providing a k_{peak} of about 0,8, and of sufficient length on the approach side to enable the test speeds to be attained. For test vehicles fitted with ABS of category 1 or 2, a low-adhesion surface shall also have a high-adhesion surface on at least one side for the split-adhesion tests. Both surfaces shall be sufficiently wide to allow the peak coefficients of adhesion to be determined separately.

6.3 The surfaces used for the tests in 12.2 shall be such that k_{H} is or greater than or equal to [0,5] and $k_{\text{H}}/k_{\text{L}}$ is greater than or equal to [2]. If there is any doubt that this requirement cannot be met, the peak coefficients of adhesion shall be ascertained using the procedure given in clause 9. When testing a vehicle fitted with an ABS of category 1, the peak coefficients of adhesion shall always be measured.

7 General checks

Perform the following checks and verifications.

- a) For all motor vehicles authorized to draw a trailer fitted with air brakes, irrespective of the category of ABS fitted:
- 1) check the manufacturer's calculations of compatibility in the laden state and ensure that the results conform with the requirements of annex 10 of UNECE Regulation No. 13:1996;
 - 2) verify that a specific optical warning device is fitted that will signal to the driver any electrical brak in the supply of electricity to the ABS;
 - 3) check that this warning device lights up when the ABS is energized and is extinguished after a verification phase only when such defects are absent, when the warning signal may light up again provided that it is extinguished before the vehicle reaches 10 km/h;
 - 4) check that the warning signal is visible in daylight and that it is easy for the driver to verify whether it is in working order;
 - 5) in addition, for an electrically controlled pneumatic modulator valve or valves, verify that the valve or valves cycle at least once during the verification phase (before the warning signal is extinguished).
- b) For vehicles authorized to tow a trailer equipped with an ABS with the exception of vehicles of category M1 or N1:
- 1) verify that a separate optical warning device for the ABS of the trailer is fitted, activated via pin 5 of a special connector in accordance with ISO 7638;
 - 2) check that this warning device automatically does not light up when a trailer without an ABS, or when no trailer, is coupled;
 - 3) check that the warning signal is visible even in daylight and that it is easy for the driver to verify whether it is in working order;
 - 4) check that electrical connections for the ABS of a trailer are effected by the connector specified in 1).
- c) Check that the operation of the ABS is not adversely affected by electromagnetic fields, in accordance with the relevant test procedures.
- d) For vehicles fitted with a manual device for disconnecting or changing the control mode of the ABS.
- 1) Check that the manufacturer's calculations show that, with the ABS disconnected or the control mode changed, the vehicle conforms with annex 10 of UNECE Regulation No. 13:1996.
- NOTE This check is not necessary if, in the changed control mode condition, all requirements for the vehicle's antilock braking system are fulfilled.
- 2) Check that an optical warning signal informs the driver that the ABS has been disconnected or the control mode changed. The antilock optical warning device may be used for this purpose.
 - 3) Check that the ABS is automatically reconnected/returned to normal mode when the ignition (start) device is again set to the "on" position.
 - 4) Check that the vehicle user's handbook provided by the manufacturer warns the driver of the consequences of manual disconnection or mode change of the ABS.

- 5) Verify that there is no separate device to disconnect/change the control mode of a trailer ABS, and that this can only be done in conjunction with the towing vehicle.
- e) Adjustment of the brakes, including automatically adjusting brakes, shall be performed prior to the static and dynamic tests in accordance with the vehicle manufacturer's recommendations for type approval testing.

8 Dynamic test of laden vehicle

For this test, perform the following procedure.

- a) Ensure that the vehicle is fully laden to its maximum mass as for type 0 tests.
- b) Disconnect the supply of electricity to the ABS, then disconnect the other electrical connections to the controller or controllers and modulator or modulators, one after the other. In each case, check that it is still possible to achieve the prescribed residual braking performance via the service braking system control device, with any one of these electrical failures.

NOTE This requirement does not replace the normal secondary braking system requirements in the event of any service braking system failure.

9 Determination of peak coefficient of adhesion — Low-adhesion surface — Laden vehicle

This test procedure should be carried out as soon as possible following completion of the adhesion-utilization tests in accordance with clauses 10 and 11, in order to minimize surface adhesion changes.

The following test sequence allows the determination of the peak coefficient of adhesion of the surface — first as k_f , for the front axle, then as k_r , for the rear axle or axles — by a repeat process, with the front axle brakes disabled and the rear circuit brakes enabled. The results are then used for the calculations of clause 10.

- a) Disable the ABS function and the rear service brake operation.
- b) After ensuring that all the necessary test equipment is operational, carry out a number of brake applications on the test surface with a low peak coefficient of adhesion.

The line pressure shall be set in increasing steps for each run until optimum performance is established (this will normally be when slight locking occurs — wheel lock could occur below 20 km/h). To ensure that the highest possible result has been included, the series of increments is extended to the point where the wheels lock above 20 km/h. The tests shall be performed from an initial vehicle speed of [50] km/h, with the braking rate calculated by reference to the time, t , in seconds, taken for the speed to be reduced from [40] km/h to [20] km/h, using the following equation:

$$z = \frac{[0,566]}{t} \tag{1}$$

- c) Starting from t_{\min} (the minimum measured value of t), select three values of t between t_{\min} and $1,05t_{\min}$, and calculate their arithmetical mean value, t_m . Then calculate

$$z_m = \frac{[0,566]}{t_m} \tag{2}$$

If for practical reasons it can be demonstrated that the three values defined above cannot be obtained, then t_{\min} may be used instead.

NOTE 1 This procedure might be able to be carried out with the most accuracy when some form of adjustable line pressure regulator is fitted.

NOTE 2 In order to obtain a valid result, both wheels of the axle need to reach lock point simultaneously. For the purposes of establishing the k value, it could be necessary to make special adjustments to individual line pressures to achieve this.

- d) Calculate the values of k_f and k_r using the following equations. These take into account the rolling resistance of the axle that is not braked on and the dynamic load transfer.

— In the case of a two-axle, rear-wheel drive vehicle, with braking on the front axle, k_f , is given by

$$k_f = \frac{z_{mf} \times P \times g - 0,015 \times F_2}{F_1 + \left(\frac{h}{E}\right) \times z_{mf} \times P \times g} \quad (3)$$

(see Table 1 for symbols).

— In the case of a two-axle, rear-wheel-drive vehicle, with braking on the rear axle, k_r , is given by

$$k_r = \frac{z_{mr} \times P \times g - 0,01 \times F_1}{F_2 - \left(\frac{h}{E}\right) \times z_{mr} \times P \times g} \quad (4)$$

(see Table 1 for symbols).

Round the values to the third decimal place.

NOTE 3 Vehicles of categories N2 and N3 having a wheelbase less than 3,8 m and an h/E ratio of $\geq 0,25$ do not require a separate value for the rear axle coefficient of adhesion.

For vehicles equipped with three axles, only the axle not associated with a close-coupled bogie shall be used to establish a k value for the vehicle.

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10 Determination of adhesion utilization — Low-adhesion surface — Laden vehicle

10.1 Vehicles with category 1 or 2 ABS

The test procedure for the determination of adhesion utilization is as follows.

- Reconnect the ABS and ensure that, when the service braking system control device is applied, all brakes function normally.
- From an initial vehicle speed of [55] km/h, and using the same test surface on which the peak coefficient of adhesion was determined (see clause 9), ascertain the braking rate the ABS can achieve. Perform the test with sufficient line pressure or pedal effort to ensure that the ABS functions. The result shall be calculated to the time, t , in seconds, taken to reduce the speed from [45] km/h to [15] km/h, using the following equation:

$$z = \frac{[0,849]}{t} \quad (5)$$

- Repeat b) twice more and calculate the average of the three t values, (t_m) which will then give the z_{AL} value to be used in calculating the adhesion utilization with the following equation:

$$z_{AL} = \frac{[0,849]}{t_m} \quad (6)$$