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## Introduction

UNECE Regulation No.13, paragraph 5.1.4.6 (on reference braking forces) requires, as part of the type approval process, that the manufacturer provides the Type 0 braking performance figures as reference values arranged in a tabular or graphical form.

The purpose of reference values is to make adequate data available for conducting periodical vehicle tests, which are most easily performed on roller test benches. Within Council Directive 96/96/EC, testing in service is required to achieve a heavy truck brake efficiency of at least 45 %, and this can be performed by road testing or, more conveniently, on roller brake test benches. The roller brake tests are based on the available reference values declared by the vehicle manufacturer at type approval.

NOTE The minimum requirements are:

- 50 % in the case of vehicles of categories M2, M3, N2, N3, O3 and O4, except semi-trailers;
- 45 % in the case of semi-trailers.

This International Standard provides a procedure for testing both motor vehicles and trailers in service to the level of performance required for periodical technical inspection (PTI).

It is possible that the values will need adjustment to reflect national or international in-service requirements.

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# Road vehicles — Test of vehicle air braking systems with a permissible mass of over 3,5 t — Acquisition and use of reference values using a roller brake tester

## 1 Scope

This International Standard provides a method for the acquisition of suitable braking reference values that the manufacturer is required to provide, and for the use of these reference values in periodical technical inspection (PTI) on air brake systems.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

UNECE Regulation No.13, Rev. 6, 2008, *Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles of categories M, N and O with regard to braking*

## 3 Terms, definitions and symbols

### 3.1 Terms and definitions

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

#### 3.1.1

##### **braking system**

combination of parts which either progressively reduces the speed of the moving vehicle, or brings the vehicle to a halt and/or holds it stationary, or fulfils both functions

#### 3.1.2

##### **brake**

part of a **braking system** (3.1.1) in which the forces opposing the movement, or tendency to movement, of the vehicle are developed

#### 3.1.3

##### **braking force**

force at the contact surface between a wheel and the ground, produced by the effect of a braking system, which opposes the rotation of the wheel or the tendency for movement of the vehicle

NOTE The force between the tyre and the rotating roller, produced at the circumference of the tyre during braking, opposes the force generated at the interface by the roller brake tester attempting to cause continuing rotation of the wheel.

#### 3.1.4

##### **total braking force**

sum of the braking forces at all wheels of a vehicle

**3.1.5**

**reference braking force**

braking forces of each axle generated at the circumference of the tyre on a roller brake tester, relative to brake actuator pressure

**3.1.6**

**braking force distribution**

ratio between the braking force of each axle and the total braking force

**3.1.7**

**total normal force**

vertical force, corresponding to the total static mass on the axles of the vehicle

**3.1.8**

**braking rate**

$z$

ratio between the instantaneous deceleration of the vehicle,  $a$ , and the acceleration due to gravity,  $g$ , where only braking forces can be measured

$$z = \frac{a}{g}$$

NOTE 1 This ratio is not applicable to semi-trailers.

NOTE 2 Where  $a$  cannot be measured, the braking rate,  $z$ , is the ratio between the total braking force,  $F_f$ , and the total normal force,  $G_s$ , corresponding to the maximum loading vehicle weight.

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**3.1.9**

**roller brake tester**

measuring machine consisting of two pairs of powered rollers used for the assessment of a vehicle's braking performance

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**3.1.10**

**guaranteed maximum cylinder pressure**

pressure of the actuating fluid in the brake cylinder, resulting from full actuation of the brake pedal with the supply at the cut-in pressure

**3.1.11**

**brake threshold pressure**

brake chamber pressure at the intersection of brake force and pressure line (at force = 0 N) in the force–pressure diagram



### 3.2 Symbols

Symbol	Definition	Unit
$a$	instantaneous deceleration of vehicle	$\text{m/s}^2$
$F_f$	total braking force corresponding to maximum loading vehicle weight	N
$F_{f,\min}$	total braking force needed to achieve $z_{\min}$	N
$F_{Ni}$	braking force of axle $i$ at cylinder pressure $p_N$ needed to achieve $z_{\min}$	N
$F_{Ri}$	braking force of axle $i$ at cylinder pressure $p_N^a$	N
$\sum F_{Ri}$	sum of all $F_{Ri}$ on all axles	N
$F_{RiPTI}$	reference braking force of axle $i$ suitable for PTI (i.e. at corresponding $p_A$ level)	N
$g$	acceleration due to gravity	$\text{m/s}^2$
$G_S$	total normal force corresponding to maximum loading vehicle weight	N
$p_A$	brake actuator/cylinder pressure	$\text{kPa}^b$
$p_N$	guaranteed maximum brake actuator/cylinder pressure	$\text{kPa}^b$
$p_{Ri}$	brake actuator/cylinder pressure of axle $i$ for calculated PTI value	$\text{kPa}^b$
$p_{0i}$	brake threshold pressure of axle $i$	$\text{kPa}^b$
$z$	braking rate	—
$z_{\min}$	minimum demanded deceleration in relation to total normal force at PTI	—
<sup>a</sup> As declared by the manufacturer in accordance with UNECE Regulation No.13, paragraph 5.1.4.6. <sup>b</sup> 100 kPa = 1 bar.		

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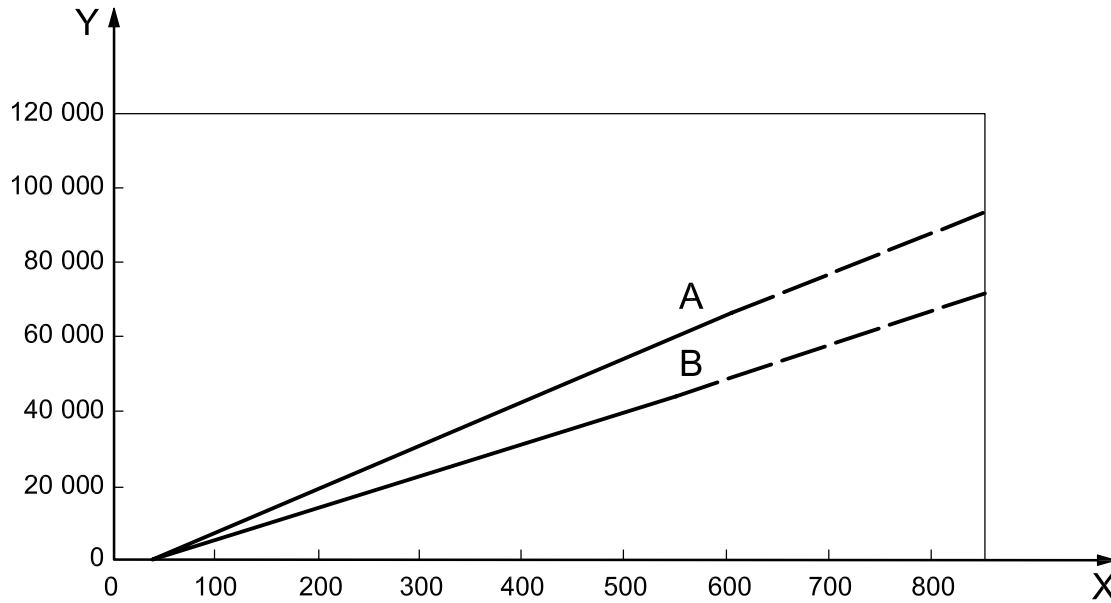
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## 4 Acquisition method

**4.1** At type approval it is impossible to test every version of a particular vehicle range. Consequently, the vehicle manufacturer chooses a “worst case” vehicle to be covered on the type approval certificate. This means that the certificate will then include many variants of the tested vehicle, provided that they all have the same braking system.

In a Type 0 test, a modern heavy vehicle with an electronic braking system (EBS) and disc brakes normally achieves a deceleration of  $6,0 \text{ m/s}^2$ , whereas the minimum requirement is  $5,0 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

**4.2** The brake force distribution involves both the static and dynamic brake force distribution. The static distribution is the result of the different dimensioning of the brakes at the different axles (e.g. different brake and actuating cylinder diameters). The dynamic distribution is the result of the brake pressure distribution adjustments during braking. The static distribution is theoretically constant in all situations (excluding the variation of the friction coefficient of brake pads, which is one of the parameters under assessment). This can be seen as the different gradient of the “brake force–cylinder pressure line” of the axles. The pressure distribution varies as a function of many factors (e.g. levels of deceleration and of loading). This is shown by the upper limit of the “brake force–cylinder pressure line” of the axles (see Figure 1).



**Key**  
 X cylinder pressure, in kPa  
 Y brake force, in N

NOTE Lines A and B illustrate how the gradient of the “brake force–cylinder pressure line” of the axles varies as a function of different factors.

**Figure 1 — Static brake force distribution**  
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In contrast to the identical gradient of the “brake force–cylinder pressure lines”, the maximum cylinder pressures at the axles in a Type 0 test would be different in different vehicles with the same braking system. The manufacturer should therefore specify the reference braking forces described in UNECE Regulation No.13, paragraph 5.1.4.6, in order to cover the whole pressure range as generated under Type 0 conditions.

**4.3** The purpose of the brake performance test at PTI is to verify that the vehicle achieves a minimum deceleration in relation to maximum static mass.

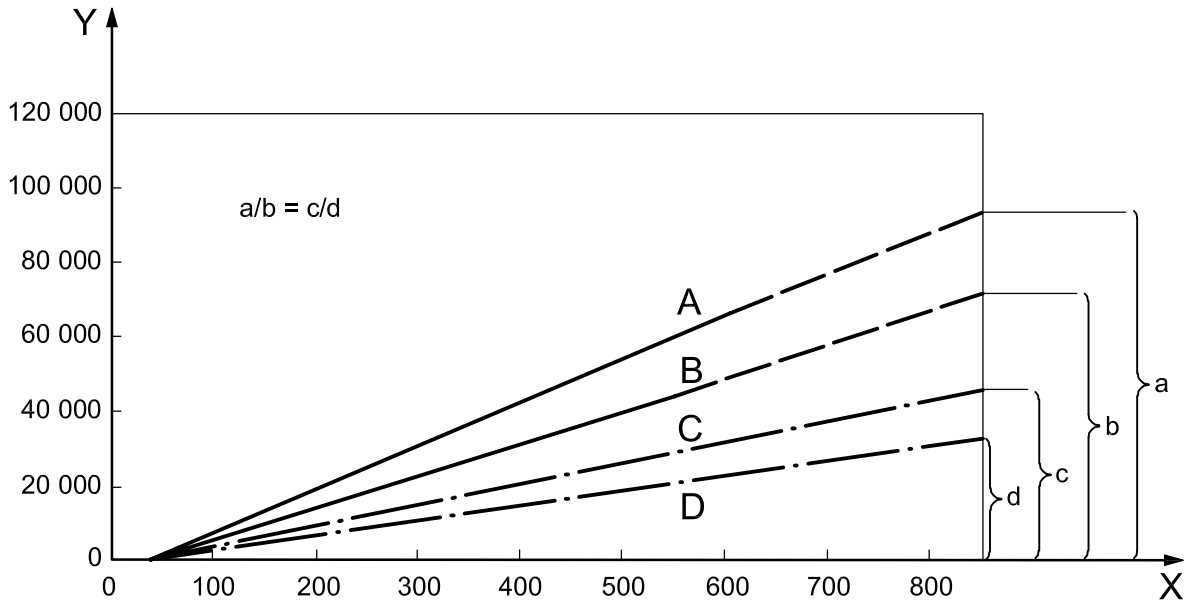
NOTE In the case of Council Directive 96/96/EC, this needs to be 4,5 m/s<sup>2</sup>.

It is easy to calculate the total braking force  $F_{f,min}$  needed to achieve this deceleration: the deceleration rate  $z_{min}$  (e.g. 0,45) needs to be multiplied by the force  $G_s$  corresponding to the total static mass on the axles of the vehicle (e.g. 180 kN for a vehicle with two axles and a maximum static mass of 18 t), as shown in Equation (1):

$$F_{f,min} = z_{min} \times G_s \tag{1}$$

Because the roller brake test is a series of single axle tests, the minimum total brake force,  $F_{f,min}$ , as calculated in Equation (1), shall be achieved by summing the axle braking forces.

It is reasonable to assume that the installed static brake force distribution for the Type 0 test (see a and b in Figure 2) is distributed in a similar way to the brake force in the lower level characteristics needed to satisfy the PTI requirements. Therefore, the calculation of reference values for PTI shall include the same proportion in the reduced brake performance from each axle (see c and d in Figure 2).



**Key**

- X cylinder pressure, in kPa
- Y brake force, in N

NOTE Lines A and B represent the installed static brake force distribution for the Type 0 test. Lines C and D indicate the reduced brake performance.

**Figure 2 — Static brake force distribution showing reduced brake performance**

4.4 It is therefore possible to calculate the braking force,  $F_{Ni}$ , of each axle needed to achieve the minimum demanded deceleration at PTI. This should be done using Equation (2):

$$F_{Ni} = \frac{F_{Ri} \times F_{f,min}}{\sum F_{Ri}} \tag{2}$$

where

$F_{Ri}$  is the braking force of axle  $i$  at cylinder pressure  $p_N$  shown by the manufacturer;

$F_{f,min}$  is the total braking force needed to achieve  $z_{min}$ ;

$\sum F_{Ri}$  is the sum of all  $F_{Ri}$  on all axles.

$F_{Ni}$  is the lowest force that should be reached at the guaranteed maximum cylinder pressure.

A linear equation that describes the PTI reference braking forces needs a second point of reference, which is given by the pressure at the increasing point of braking force.

The mathematical function given with the reference values of the manufacturer can be calculated for this point simply by using the mathematical equation for linear functions.

With these two points, it is possible to establish an equation that describes the reference braking forces for each axle of a vehicle corresponding to the minimum demanded deceleration level at PTI bases on the national regulation.