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## Foreword

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ISO 4106 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 22, *Road vehicles*, Subcommittee SC 22, *Motorcycles*.

This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 4106:2004), which has been technically revised.

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## Introduction

The third edition of ISO 4106 (ISO 4106:2004) has many cross-references to ISO 15550, which contains the requirements that are common to all engine applications. Consequently, users of ISO 4106:2004 always have to refer to ISO 4106 and ISO 15550 simultaneously in order to comprehend the full test procedures for motorcycles. In this fourth edition, all the necessary components are described in the text rather than referring to ISO 15550 in order to avoid such inconveniences, and some technical and editorial modifications have also been made for refinement.

ISO 4106 can now be used as a stand-alone International Standard for engine net power measurement of motorcycles.

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# Motorcycles — Engine test code — Net power

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies methods for evaluating the performance of engines designed for motorcycles as defined in ISO 3833, in particular with a view to the presentation of power curves and specific fuel consumption at full load as a function of engine speed, for net power assessment. It is applicable to reciprocating internal combustion engines (spark-ignition or compression-ignition) — excluding free-piston engines — and rotary piston engines, either naturally aspirated or pressure-charged and equipped with either mechanical pressure-charger or turbocharger. Particular specifications for the test of compression-ignition engines are specified in Annex A.

## 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.

ISO 2710-1, *Reciprocating internal combustion engines — Vocabulary — Part 1: Terms for engine design and operation*

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

ISO 15550, *Internal combustion engines — Determination and method for the measurement of engine power — General requirements*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 2710-1, ISO 15550 and the following apply.

### 3.1

#### **net power**

power obtained on a test bed at the end of the crankshaft or its equivalent at the corresponding engine speed with the equipment and auxiliaries listed in 6.3.1

### 3.2

#### **corrected net power**

net power corrected under the standard reference conditions

### 3.3

#### **net torque**

torque transmitted on a test bed at the end of the crankshaft or its equivalent at the corresponding engine speed with the equipment and auxiliaries listed in 6.3.1

### 3.4

#### **corrected net torque**

net torque corrected under the standard reference conditions

### 3.5

#### **specific fuel consumption**

amount of fuel consumed by an engine per unit of power and time

NOTE The amount of the lubricants for two-stroke cycle engines is excluded.

**3.6 auxiliaries**  
equipment and devices necessary to make the engine acceptable for service in the intended application

## 4 Symbols

For the purposes of this document, the symbols given in Table 1 apply.

**Table 1 — Symbols**

Symbol	Designation	Unit
$b_e$	Specific fuel consumption	g/(kW·h)
$p_d$	Ambient dry air barometric pressure during the test	kPa
$p_r$	Standard reference total barometric pressure	kPa
$p_{sr}$	Standard reference saturated water vapour pressure	kPa
$p_{sy}$	Ambient saturated water vapour pressure during the test	kPa
$p_y$	Ambient total barometric pressure during the test	kPa
$P$	Measured power	kW
$P_o$	Corrected net power	kW
$P_y$	Net power	kW
$T$	Measured torque	N·m
$T_o$	Corrected net torque	N·m
$T_y$	Net torque	N·m
$t_r$	Standard reference ambient air temperature	K
$t_y$	Engine inlet air temperature during the test	K
$\alpha_a$	Correction factor for ambient test conditions	—
$\alpha_m$	Correction factor for efficiency of the transmission	—
$\eta_i$	Efficiency of each element constituting the transmission	—
$\eta$	Efficiency of the transmission which is located between the crankshaft and the measurement point	—
$\phi_r$	Standard reference relative humidity	%
$\phi_y$	Ambient relative humidity during the test	%

## 5 Standard reference conditions

For the purpose of determining the power and fuel consumption of an engine, the following standard reference conditions shall be used:

- standard reference total barometric pressure:  $p_r = 100$  kPa;
- standard reference air temperature:  $t_r = 298$  K;
- standard reference relative humidity:  $\phi_r = 30$  %.

NOTE A relative humidity of 30 % at a temperature of 298 K corresponds to a water pressure of 1 kPa. The corresponding dry barometric pressure is 99 kPa.



## 6 Tests

### 6.1 General

This test method is used for verifying the net power of an engine type with the declared values. It presents engine performance at full power/torque as a function of engine speed by generating curves of corrected net torque, corrected net power and specific fuel consumption.

### 6.2 Measuring equipment and instrument accuracy

#### 6.2.1 Torque

The dynamometer torque-measuring system shall have an accuracy of  $\pm 1\%$  in the range of scale values required for the test. The torque-measuring system shall be calibrated to take into account friction losses. The accuracy may be  $\pm 2\%$  for measurements carried out at a power less than 50 % of maximum power.

#### 6.2.2 Engine speed

The engine-speed measuring system shall have an accuracy of  $\pm 0,5\%$ .

#### 6.2.3 Fuel flow

The fuel-flow measuring system shall have an accuracy of  $\pm 1\%$ .

#### 6.2.4 Fuel temperature

The fuel-temperature measuring system shall have an accuracy of  $\pm 1\text{ K}$ .

#### 6.2.5 Engine inlet air temperature

The air-temperature measuring system shall have an accuracy of  $\pm 1\text{ K}$ .

#### 6.2.6 Barometric pressure

The barometric-pressure measuring system shall have an accuracy of  $\pm 70\text{ Pa}$ .

#### 6.2.7 Back pressure in exhaust system

The system used to measure the back pressure (differential pressure) in the exhaust system shall have an accuracy of  $\pm 25\text{ Pa}$ .

#### 6.2.8 Test room humidity

The test-room-humidity measuring system shall have an accuracy of  $\pm 5\%$  in relative humidity.

NOTE In the test atmospheric conditions specified in 6.3.3, the worst relative humidity measurement accuracy of  $\pm 5\%$  corresponds to a wet and dry bulb thermometer measurement accuracy of  $\pm 0,5\text{ K}$ . In the worst case, it is estimated that an accuracy of  $\pm 0,5\text{ K}$  in a wet and dry bulb thermometer measurement would have an effect of approximately  $\pm 0,3\%$  on the net power measuring result.

### 6.3 Setting and test conditions

#### 6.3.1 Equipment and auxiliaries

During the test, if the equipment and auxiliaries specified in Table 2 are the standard productions, they shall be installed on the test bench as far as possible in the same position and in the same condition as in the intended application. The equipment and auxiliaries for the test of compression-ignition engines are listed in Annex A.

Table 2 — Equipment and auxiliaries to be installed for the test to determine engine power

No.	Equipment and auxiliaries	
1	Inlet system	Inlet manifold
		Crankcase emission control system
		Control devices for dual induction
		Electronic control system
		Air flow meter
		Air inlet ductwork <sup>a</sup>
		Air filter <sup>a</sup>
		Inlet silencer <sup>a</sup>
		Speed-limiting device <sup>a</sup>
2	Induction-heating device of inlet manifold	
3	Exhaust system	Exhaust purifier
		Exhaust manifold
		Pressure-charging device
		Connecting pipes <sup>b</sup>
		Silencer <sup>b</sup>
		Tail pipe <sup>b</sup>
		Electronic control system
4	Fuel supply system	Fuel supply pump <sup>c</sup>
		Carburettor
		Electronic control system
		Gaseous fuel pressure reducer
		Gaseous fuel evaporator
		Gaseous fuel mixer
5	Fuel injection equipment	Prefilter
		Filter
		Fuel injection pump
		High-pressure pipes
		Injector
		Air inlet valve
6	Liquid-cooling equipment	Radiator <sup>d</sup>
		Fan <sup>de</sup>
		Fan cowl <sup>d</sup>
		Water pump <sup>d</sup>
		Thermostat <sup>df</sup>
7	Air-cooling equipment	Cowl <sup>d</sup>
		Fan or blower <sup>de</sup>
		Temperature-regulating device

Table 2 (continued)

No.	Equipment and auxiliaries	
8	Electrical equipment	Generator <sup>g</sup>
		Battery <sup>g</sup>
		Spark distribution system
		Coil or coils
		Wiring
		Spark-plugs
		Electronic control system <sup>h</sup>
9	Pressure-charging equipment	Compressor driven directly by the engine and/or by the exhaust gases
		Boost control <sup>i</sup>
		Charge air cooler <sup>dej</sup>
		Coolant pump or fan (engine-driven)
10	Anti-pollution device <sup>k</sup>	
11	Lubricating oil pump	
12	Oil cooler	
<p><sup>a</sup> Except in the case where there is a risk of the system having a noticeable influence upon engine power, where the equivalents may be used. In this case, a check shall be made to ascertain that inlet depression does not differ by more than 100 Pa from the limit specified by the manufacturer for a clean air filter.</p> <p><sup>b</sup> If it is impracticable to fit the standard exhaust system, a system permitting the normal engine running characteristics in accordance with the manufacturer's specification shall be fitted for the test. In particular, in the test laboratory, the exhaust extraction system at the point where the test bench exhaust system is connected shall not create a pressure differing from the atmospheric pressure by more than <math>\pm 740</math> Pa at the exhaust extraction duct, with the engine in operation, unless the manufacturer has specifically prescribed the back pressure prior to the test, in which case the lower of the two pressures shall be used.</p> <p><sup>c</sup> If necessary, the fuel feed pressure may be adjusted to reproduce the fuel pressures existing in the particular engine application (particularly when a "fuel return" system, for example to tank or filter, is used).</p> <p><sup>d</sup> The radiator, fan, fan cowl, water pump, thermostat and cowl shall be located on the test bed in the same relative positions that they are to occupy on the vehicle or machine. The cooling liquid circulation shall only be operated by the engine water pump. Cooling of the liquid may be provided either by the engine radiator or by an external circuit, provided that the pressure loss of this circuit and the pressure at the pump inlet remain substantially the same as those of the engine cooling system. The radiator shutter, if incorporated, shall be set in the open position.</p> <p>Where the fan, radiator and cowl system cannot conveniently be fitted to the engine, the power absorbed by the fan when separately mounted in its correct position in relation to the radiator and cowl (if used) shall be determined at the speeds corresponding to the engine speeds used for measurement of the engine power either by calculation from standard characteristics or by practical tests. This power, corrected to the standard atmospheric conditions defined in Clause 5, shall be deducted from the corrected power.</p> <p><sup>e</sup> Where a disconnectable or progressive fan or blower is incorporated, the test shall be performed with the fan or blower disconnected or with the progressive fan running at maximum slip.</p> <p><sup>f</sup> The thermostat may be fixed in the fully open position.</p> <p><sup>g</sup> The electrical power of the generator shall be the minimum. It shall be limited to that necessary for operation of accessories which are indispensable for engine operation. If the connection of a battery is necessary, a fully charged battery in good condition shall be used.</p> <p><sup>h</sup> The spark advance shall be representative of in-use conditions established with the minimum octane fuel recommended by the manufacturer.</p> <p><sup>i</sup> For engines equipped with variable boost as a function of charge or inlet air temperature, octane rating and/or engine speed, the boost pressure shall be representative of in-vehicle conditions established with the minimum octane fuel as recommended by the manufacturer.</p> <p><sup>j</sup> Charge air-cooled engines shall be tested with the charge air-cooling system operating, whether this system is liquid- or air-cooled. If the engine manufacturer prefers, a test bed system may replace an air-cooled cooler. In either case the measurement of power at each speed shall be made with the pressure drop and temperature drop of the engine air across the charge air cooler in the test bed the same as those specified by the manufacturer for the system on the complete vehicle.</p> <p><sup>k</sup> These may include, for example, Exhaust Gas Recirculation (EGR) system, catalytic converter, secondary air-supply, fuel evaporation protection systems and crankcase emission control system.</p>		