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Part 1:

**Whole vehicle test chamber —
Specification and method for the
determination of volatile organic
compounds in cabin interiors**

Air intérieur des véhicules routiers —

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- Adaption of temperatures, number of samples to be taken and the pre-conditioning and measuring times to be consistent with the UN mutual resolution concerning the common definitions of vehicle categories, masses and dimensions.

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Introduction

Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are widely used in industry and can be emitted by many everyday products and materials. They have attracted attention in recent years because of their impact on indoor air quality. After homes and workplaces, people spend a lot of time in their vehicles. It is important to determine the material emissions of interior parts and to reduce them to an acceptable level, if required. Therefore, it is necessary to obtain comprehensive and reliable information about the types of organic compounds in the interior air of vehicles and also their concentrations.

This document outlines a method of measuring the types and levels of VOCs in vehicle cabin air under controlled conditions. It describes requirements for a whole vehicle test chamber and a test protocol. Measurements are carried out according to ISO 16000-6 (VOCs) and ISO 16000-3 (carbonyl compounds).

There are several national test methods available for measuring in-vehicle air quality, e.g. References [2] [4]. However, this document requires a fixed heating radiation system whereas the methods of References [2][3] define a fixed temperature programme.

Before setting a fixed radiation density for heating the test vehicle, several validation measurements were performed (Reference [1]).

ISO 16000-3, ISO 16000-5,^[6] ISO 16000-6, ISO 16000-9,^[7] ISO 16000-10,^[8] ISO 16000-11,^[9] ISO 16000-24,^[10] ISO 16000-25,^[11] as well as ISO 16017-1 and ISO 16017-2^[12] also focus on volatile organic compound (VOC) measurements.

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