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The main changes are as follows:

- inclusion of acoustic methods for installation category E fans;
- symbols harmonized with those used in ISO 5801 and other ISO standards as listed in normative references [2];
- editorial revisions.

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Introduction

This document deals with the determination of the fan sound power level appropriate to a particular application. In describing the test and rating procedures, numerous references are made to ISO 5801 as well as to other relevant ISO standards. This general overview should be read in conjunction with the appropriate part of the ISO 13347 series that specifies, in detail, methods for determining the sound power propagated from a fan in specified installation conditions as a function of frequency.

This document primarily deals with the determination of sound power levels of fans used in five installation categories (see [Clause 4](#)) for ducted and non-ducted applications, including jet fans.

The test procedures described in this document relate to laboratory conditions. The measurement of performance under site conditions is not included. Acoustic system effects can be considerable where the airflow into and out of the fan is not free from swirl, nor fully developed.

This document describes methods for determining sound power levels of fans in one-third octave bandwidths and one octave bandwidths.

Data obtained in accordance with this document can be used for the following purposes amongst others:

- a) comparison of fans which are similar in size and type;
- b) comparison of fans which are different in size, type, design, speed, etc;
- c) determining whether a fan is suitable for a specified upper limit of sound emission;
- d) scaling of fan noise from one size and speed to another size and speed of the same type of fan;
- e) prediction of sound pressure level in application of the fan;
- f) engineering work to assist in developing machinery and equipment with lower sound emissions.

This document along with the other parts of the ISO 13347 series specifies a method, based on the ISO 3740 series and ISO 9614-1 and ISO 9614-2, for acoustic testing of jet fans (and partition fans) using the methods currently described in ISO 13350.

NOTE The bibliography contains further references for those wishing to explore this subject in greater detail (see References [\[1\]](#) to [\[21\]](#)).