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Pass-by noise, from the Real to the Simulated.
The Analysis and Development for the ECE Certification

MOTORCYCLES

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Scope:
This Regulation contains provisions relating to the noise made by vehicles of category L3.

Methods of measurement:
There are two methods, the first is a dynamic test – Pass-by test, and the second is a stationary test - Measuring of noise in proximity to the exhaust

Limits:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Engine cylinder capacity (cc)</th>
<th>Value expressed in dB(A)</th>
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<td>First Category</td>
<td>cc &lt;= 80 cm³</td>
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<td>Second Category</td>
<td>80 cm³ &lt;= cc &lt;= 175 cm³</td>
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<td>Third Category</td>
<td>cc &gt; 175 cm³</td>
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Pass-by Test

The Pass-by tests are carried out in accordance with “Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor cycles with regard to noise” of ECE R41, which covers also the analysis, based on the following factors:

- the distance covered by the vehicle
- vehicle speed
- engine rpm
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The left-hand side of the figure shows the situation at vehicle entry, while the right-hand side of the figure shows the situation at vehicle exit. The dimensions shown relate to ECE 41 (it’s the same also for the ECE 51). Accordingly, the distance to be covered starts at -10 m (front of vehicle) and ends at +10 m (rear of vehicle). LB1 and LB2 mark the position of the light barriers. The sound pressure level of the passing vehicle is measured by two microphones facing each other.
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Approach speed:
The motor cycle shall approach the line AA’ at a uniform speed corresponding to $V_A = 50$ km/h.

Interpretation of results:
The maximum sound level expressed in A-weighted decibels (dB(A)) shall be measured as the motorcycle travels between lines AA and BB. This value should not exceed by more than 1 dB(A) the maximum sound level authorized for the category of motor cycle tested.

Selection of gear ratio:
Motorcycles fitted with engines having a cylinder capacity of more than 175 cm$^3$ and a gearbox with five ratios or more shall be tested once in second gear and once in third gear. The result used must be the average of the two tests. If, during the test carried out in second gear the engine speed on the approach to the line marking the end of the test track exceeds 100 per cent of the speeds the test must be carried out in third gear and the sound level measured shall be the only one recorded as the test result.
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Measuring of Noise in Proximity to the Exhaust

Positions of the microphone:
The height of the microphone above the ground should be equal to that of the outlet pipe of the exhaust gases, but in any event shall be limited to a minimum value of 0.2 m.
The microphone must be pointed towards the orifice of the gas flow and located at a distance of 0.5 m from the latter with an angle of 45° ± 10°.

In the case of an exhaust provided with two or more outlets spaced less than 0.3 m apart, only one measurement is made; the microphone position is related to the outlet nearest to the external side of the motorcycle or, when such an outlet does not exist, to the outlet which is the highest above the ground.
For motor cycles having an exhaust provided with outlets spaced more than 0.3 m apart, one measurement is made for each outlet as if it were the only one, and the highest level is noted.
Operating conditions of the engine:
The engine speed shall be held steady at the following value: 
1/2 of the engine rotation speed if it exceeds 5,000 min-1.

When constant engine speed is reached, the throttle shall be returned swiftly to
the idle position. The sound level shall be measured during a period of
operation consisting of a brief maintenance of constant engine speed and
throughout the deceleration period, the maximum deflection of the needle
being taken as the test value.
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The step-by-step procedure

Noise Problem → Real Pass-by → HOMOLOGATION

Real Pass-by → Simulated Pass-by → Intensity Test

Simulated Pass-by

Intensity Test

OK

Not OK
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Real Pass-by Tests – On the proving ground homologation track
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Real Pass-by Tests – On the proving ground homologation track
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PROBLEM
The SPL exceeds the maximum value allowed:
80.6 dB(A) > 80.0 dB(A)
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![Graph showing sound pressure levels across different frequencies.]

**ANALYSIS**

The problem is in the 3rd octave of 1250 Hz

**INVESTIGATION**

Simulated Pass-by and Intesity Test
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Hemi – Anechoic Chamber

Chamber dimensions – 15 x 15 x 8 m (entrance in m. w3 x h4)
Floor Surface – ISO road surface
Fully Air-Conditioned – constant temperature
Data acquisition and analyses: Müller BBM-VAS
24 Microphones ½”
Full field Pass-By data acquisition station (weather, velocity, photocell gates)
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NVH Chassis Dynamometer 2 Axle – 4 Separate Drives
Max Velocity – 250 km/h
Max Axle load – 2.500 kg
Drum Diameter – 1 591 mm
Drum Width – 700 mm
Min./Max Wheel Base – 1800/3920
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Development Tests in the Laboratory

Test set-up:
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Reproducibility of vehicle characteristics (coast down, vehicle inertial)
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Simulated Pass-by – In Chamber

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**Passby**

Measurement Date: 29/11/2007

**Measurement Rule**

Vehicle Category: L3

Meas. Mode: Accelerated Pass-by

Result Type: Measurement Run

**Engine**

Engine Power: kW

RPM at max. Power: 1/min

Test Mass: kg

Engine Position: 

**Climate Data**

Wind Dir.: °

Wind Speed: 0 m/s [max. 5.0 m/s]

Air Temp.: 22 °C [10 - 45 °C]

Humidity: 50 %

Air Pressure: 1013 hPa

**Test Track**

Track Temp.: 

Background Noise: dB(A)

Direction: 

Track Lenght: 27.3 m

xBB: m

**Vehicle Data**

Veh. Lenght: 2.3 m

Transm. Type: Manual

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**Graphs**

- Sound Pressure (dB(A))
  - Detector: 0.9 m, 81.3 dB(A)
  - 3rd Octave: 500 Hz, 68.6 dB(A)

- Distance/Speed
  - Distance: 15.0 m
  - Speed: 81.5 [dB(A)] 80.8

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Check the COHERENCY between the real test and the simulated test:

**REAL**

- **Sound Pressure Level (SPL):**
  - Detector: 5.8 m, 80.2 dB(A), Right Side, Mic11

**SIMULATED**

- **Sound Pressure Level (SPL):**
  - Detector: 4.4 m, 80.8 dB(A), Right Side

**CHECK**

- **SPL is OK:**
  - 80.2 dB(A) vs 80.8 dB(A)

- **Speed is OK:**
  - \( \Delta S: 14 \text{ km/h} \) vs 15 km/h
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Intensity Test

Now it is possible to run the Intensity test with the confidence that in the chamber is reproduce the real motorcycle’s behavior.

The scope of the test is to investigate the sources of noise and it is done with a dual-channel sound intensity probe.

For this purpose a grid is set-up on both sides of the vehicle, and then, for every square of the grid, is performed the sound intensity analysis to obtain the sound power P.
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From the Real and Simulated Pass-by test it has found that the 3rd octave band to be investigated was that of 1250 Hz.

The results of the intensity test is showed only for the frequency band of interest (1000 – 2000 Hz).
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We can find the general sound frequency that generates the noise, and then we zoom on the specific frequency band and perform the fine analysis.

ANALYSIS

The frequency at 1380 Hz is the highest in the 3rd octave investigated.

It’s an own frequency of a component and not of a rotational source.
Once has been identified the cause of the noise generation, the vehicle prototype is modified and the Vehicle is subjected to verification tests.

If the test results meet the limit targets then we can go ahead with the homologation tests.

- Real Pass By → OK → HOMOLOGATION
- Simulated Pass By → Intensity Test
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Homologation

Passby

Measurement Data: 06/03/2008

Measurement Rule
Vehicle Cat. =
Meas. Mode = Accelerated Pass-by
Result Type = Measurement Run

Engine Power = kW
RPM at max. Power = 1/min
Test Mass = kg
Engine Position =
Climate Data
Wind Dir. = 240°
Wind Speed = 1.9 m/s
Air Temp. = 11.1 °C
Humidity = 38 %
Air Pressure = 980 hPa
Test Track
Track Temp. = 17°C
Background Noise = 53.3 dB(A)
Direction = <:
Track Lenght = 28.2 m
s88 = 12.3 m

Vehicle Data
Veh. Lenght = 2.3 m
Transm. Type = Manual

Graphs showing sound pressure levels and driving speed over distance and speed.
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✓ Optimized Solution
✓ Product development over-all time reduction
✓ Significant costs savings
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- Noise and vibrations testing in accordance with client’s specifications
- Pass-by noise simulations
- Power train derived noise and vibration measurements
- Vehicle Running Mode Analysis
- Intensity Analyses
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- **FULL-SCALE CRASH**
  - frontal, side, rear – max. V 90 km/h, 10 video, 270 channels, “underview” and “on-board” films

- **BODY & COMPONENTS**
  - anchorage resistance, crush, fatigue, front rails, “crush box”, interior trim – video, post-test analysis, seats, steering wheels, instrument panels, seat belts, airbags

- **VEHICLE VALIDATION**
  - noise testing, endurance, interior trim validation, from -40°C to +80°C, either IR or UV solar simulation, suspension fatigue and anchorage resistance

- **FRONTAL RESTRAINT SYSTEMS & OUT-OF-POSITION**
  - sled with “bar-bending” breaks – good “crash pulse” reproduction, “on board” films, post-test analysis, OOP certification

- **OCCUPANT & PEDESTRIAN PROTECTION**
  - FMH certification, Euro NCAP, EEC – head and leg impacts

- **HOMOLOGATIONS**
  - EC, USA, JAPAN, TAIWAN, CHINA type approval & certification
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