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Agreement

Concerning the Adoption of Harmonized Technical United Nations Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be Fitted and/or be Used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of these United Nations Regulations*

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Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motorcycles with regard to noise

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Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Conditions of Approval and Reciprocal Recognition of Approval for Motor Vehicle Equipment and Parts, done at Geneva on 20 March 1958 (original version); Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be Fitted and/or be Used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of these Prescriptions, done at Geneva on 5 October 1995 (Revision 2).

Table of Contents, Annexes, 4, amend to read:

"4 Test track layout"

Paragraph 1., amend to read:

"1. Scope

This Regulation applies to vehicles of category L₃¹ with regard to noise.

The specifications in this Regulation are intended to reproduce the sound levels which are generated by vehicles during normal driving in urban traffic.

This Regulation provides, as well, Real Driving Additional Sound Emission Provisions (RD-ASEP) for vehicles of category L_3 referring to typical on road driving conditions including high accelerations and engine loads for urban and suburban traffic, except for highways situations."

Paragraph 2.13., amend to read:

"2.13. Following is a table containing all symbols used in this Regulation:

Symbol	Units	Explanation	Reference	
AA'	_	virtual line on the test track	Annex 4 – Figure 1	
$a_{ m wot}$	m/s ²	calculated acceleration Annex 3 – 1.4.2.		
awot,ref	m/s ²	prescribed reference acceleration	Annex 3 – 1.3.3.3.1.2.	
a _{urban}	m/s ²	prescribed target acceleration	Annex 3 – 1.3.3.3.1.2.	
BB'	_	virtual line on the test track	Annex 4 – Figure 1	
CC'	_	virtual line on the test track	Annex 4 – Figure 1	
K	_	gear weighting factor	Annex 3 – 1.4.3.	
kp	_	partial power factor	Annex 3 – 1.4.4.	
L	dB(A)	sound pressure level	Annex 3 – 1.4.1.	
L wot(i)	dB(A)	L at wot condition	Annex 3 – 1.4.6.	
Lasep	dB(A)	L at RD-ASEP additional operating conditions	Annex 7 – 3.3.3.2.	
l_{PA}	m	pre-acceleration length	Annex 3 – 1.3.3.1.1.	
m _{kerb}	kg	kerb mass of the vehicle	2.6.	
m _t	kg	test mass of the vehicle	Annex 3 – 1.3.2.2.	
n	min ⁻¹	engine speed		
npp'	min ⁻¹	engine speed at PP'	Annex 7 – 2.6.	
n _{idle}	min ⁻¹	engine speed at idle –		
n _{wot(i)}	min ⁻¹	n_{PP} measured at $L_{wot(i)}$ detection Annex 7 – 2.6.		
PP'	_	virtual line on the test track Annex 4 – Figure 1		

¹ As defined in the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3.), document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/78/Rev.6, para. 2 - https://unece.org/transport/standards/transport/vehicle-regulations-wp29/resolutions.

Symbol	Units	Explanation	Reference	
PMR	_	power-to-mass ratio index	2.9.	
Pn	kW	rated maximum net power	2.7.	
S	min ⁻¹	rated engine speed	2.8.	
V	km/h	measured vehicle speed –		
V _{max}	km/h	maximum speed	2.10.	
Vtest	km/h	prescribed test speed	Annex 3 – 1.3.3.1.1.	

The following indices are used for engine speeds "n" and vehicle speeds "v" to indicate the location or rather time of the measurement:

- (a) AA' denoting that the measurement corresponds to the point in time when the front of the vehicle passes the line AA' (see Annex 4 Figure 1); or
- (b) PP' denoting that the measurement corresponds to the point in time when the front of the vehicle passes the line PP' (see Annex 4 Figure 1); or
- (c) BB' denoting that the measurement corresponds to the point in time when the rear of the vehicle passes the line BB' (see Annex 4 Figure 1).

The following indices are used for calculated full throttle accelerations a_{wot} and measured sound pressure levels L to indicate the gear used for the test:

- (a) "(i)" denoting, in the case of a two-gear test, the lower gear (i.e. the gear with the higher gear transmission ratio) and otherwise referring to the single test gear or gear selector position used; or
- (b) "(i + 1)" denoting, in the case of a two-gear test, the higher gear (i.e. the gear with the lower gear transmission ratio).

Measured sound pressure levels L also carry an index indicating the type of the respective test:

- (a) "Wot" denoting a full throttle acceleration test (see paragraph 1.3.3.1.1. of Annex 3); or
- (b) "CRS" denoting a constant speed test (see paragraph 1.3.3.3.2. of Annex 3); or
- (c) "Urban" denoting a weighted combination of a constant speed test and a full throttle acceleration test (see paragraph 1.4.6.2. of Annex 3).

The index "j" referring to the number of the test run can be used in addition to the indices mentioned above."

Paragraph 3.6., amend to read:

- "3.6. A test report from the Technical Service conducting the type approval test shall be submitted to the Type Approval Authority. This test report shall at least include the following information:
 - (a) Details of the test site (e.g. surface temperature, absorption coefficient, etc.), test site location, site orientation and weather conditions including wind speed and air temperature, direction, barometric pressure, humidity;
 - (b) The type of measuring equipment including the windscreen;
 - (c) The A-weighted sound pressure level typical of the background noise;

- (d) The identification of the vehicle, its engine, its transmission system, including available transmission ratios, size and type of tyres, tyre pressure, type approval number of the tyres (if available) or tyre manufacturer and commercial description of the tyres (i.e. trade name, speed index, load index), rated maximum net power, test mass, power to mass ratio index, awot ref, aurban, vehicle length;
- (e) The transmission gears or gear ratios used during the test;
- (f) For tests according to Annex 3 of this Regulation and for the reference points tests of Annex 7 paragraph 3.2. the vehicle speed and engine speed at the beginning of the period of acceleration and the location of the beginning of the acceleration per gear used;
- (g) For tests according to Annex 3 of this Regulation and according to the reference points test of Annex 7 paragraph 3.2. the vehicle speed and engine speed at PP' and at the end of the acceleration per valid measurement;
- (h) For tests according to Annex 7, paragraph 3.3. the vehicle speed and the engine speed at lines AA', PP' and BB';
- (i) For tests according to Annex 7, paragraph 3.3. the approach condition to line AA' (acceleration, deceleration or constant speed) and the prescribed throttle control position (in % of throttle control opening) between lines AA' and BB';

Note: This is a description of the prescribed throttle control operation. The actual throttle control operation during a test run will not be recorded but assessed by observation only;

- (j) The method used for calculation of the acceleration;
- (k) The intermediate measurement results $a_{wot(i)}$, $a_{wot(i+1)}$, $L_{wot(i)}$, $L_{wot(i+1)}$, $L_{crs(i)}$ and $L_{crs(i+1)}$, if applicable;
- (l) The weighting factors k and k_p and the final measurement results L_{wot} , L_{crs} , L_{urban} and L_{ASEP} ;
- (m) The auxiliary equipment of the vehicle, where appropriate, and its operating conditions;
- (n) All valid A-weighted sound pressure level values measured for each test, listed according to the side of the vehicle and the direction of the vehicle movement on the test site; and
- (o) All relevant information necessary to obtain the different sound emission levels."

Paragraph 6.3.2., amend to read:

"6.3.2. The vehicle type to be approved shall meet the requirements of Annex 7 to this Regulation. If the motorcycle has user selectable software programs or modes which affect the sound emission of the vehicle, all these modes shall be in compliance with the requirements in Annex 7."

Paragraph 8.3., amend to read:

"8.3. For conformity of production, the manufacturer shall make a renewed declaration that the type still fulfils the requirements of paragraph 6.3.1. of this Regulation. The measured sound levels according to Annex 7 shall not exceed by more than 1.0 dB(A) the limits given in paragraph 2.6. of Annex 7. As a minimum, tests in the operating conditions for the reference points according to paragraph 3.2. of Annex 7 shall be performed."

Paragraph 12., amend to read:

- "12.1. As from the official date of entry into force of the 05 series of amendments, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant or refuse to accept type approvals under this Regulation as amended by the 05 series of amendments.
- 12.2. As from 1 September 2023, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not be obliged to accept type approvals to the preceding series of amendments, first issued after 1 September 2023.
- 12.3. Until 1 September 2024, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall accept type approvals to the preceding series of amendments, first issued before 1 September 2023.
- 12.4. As from 1 September 2024, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not be obliged to accept type approvals issued to the preceding series of amendments to this Regulation.
- 12.5. Notwithstanding the transitional provisions above, Contracting Parties who start to apply this Regulation after the date of entry into force of the most recent series of amendments are not obliged to accept type approvals which were granted in accordance with any of the preceding series of amendments to this Regulation / are only obliged to accept type approval granted in accordance with the 05 series of amendments.
- 12.6. Notwithstanding paragraph 12.4., Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to accept type approvals issued according to the preceding series of amendments to this Regulation, for the vehicles/vehicle systems which are not affected by the changes introduced by the 05 series of amendments.
- 12.7. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may grant type approvals according to any preceding series of amendments to this Regulation.² However, the road surface covering of the test site may conform to ISO10844:2014 when granting type approval according to the 03 series of amendments to this Regulation or extensions thereof.
- 12.8. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to grant extensions of existing approvals to any preceding series of amendments to this Regulation.² However, the road surface covering of the test site may conform to ISO10844:2014 when granting type approval according to the 03 series of amendments to this Regulation or extensions thereof."

Annex 1

Item 18, amend to read:

18. Additional sound emission provisions:

18.1.	RD-ASEP operating conditions	Reference Point (i)	Reference Point (ii)	additional operating condition 1	additional operating condition 2	additional operating condition 3
18.1.1.	Selected gear number					
18.1.2.	Vehicle speeds	-	-	-	ı	-
	Vehicle speed at the beginning of the period of acceleration (average of 3 runs) (km/h)			n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
18.1.2.2.	Pre-acceleration length (m)			n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
18.1.2.3.	Vehicle speed vAA'					

² Note by the secretariat: the wording was adjusted in line with the decision of WP.29 at its November 2020 session (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1155, paras. 92 and 93, and informal document WP.29-182-11).

18.1.	RD-ASEP operating conditions	Reference Point (i)	Reference Point (ii)	additional operating condition 1	additional operating condition 2	additional operating condition 3
	(average of 3 runs for Reference Point (i) and (ii)) (km/h)					
18.1.2.4.	Vehicle speed vPP' (average of 3 runs for Reference Points (i) and (ii)) (km/h)					
18.1.2.5.	Vehicle speed vBB' (average of 3 runs for Reference Points (i) and (ii)) (km/h)					
18.1.3.	Engine speeds	-	-	-	-	-
18.1.3.1.	Engine speed nAA' (average of 3 runs for Reference Points (i) and (ii)) (min ⁻¹)					
18.1.3.2.	Engine speed nPP' (average of 3 runs for Reference Points (i) and (ii)) (min ⁻¹)					
18.1.3.3.	Engine speed nBB' (average of 3 runs for Reference Points (i) and (ii)) (min ⁻¹)					
18.1.4.	Wide open throttle test result Lwot for Reference Points (i) and (ii) (dB(A))			n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
18.1.5.	max. sound pressure level L _{ASEP} of the additional operating conditions	n.a.	n.a.			
18.1.6.	RD-ASEP limit					

Item 19, amend to read:

"...

- 19.5. User selectable software programs or modes with effect on either $L_{wot(i)}$ or L_{crs} or L_{urb} or L_{ASEP}
- 19.5.1. List of user selectable software programs or modes:
- 19.5.2. User selectable software programs or modes used for the L_{urb} determination according to Annex 3:
- 19.5.3. User selectable software programs or modes used for L_{wot} and L_{ASEP} determination according to Annex 7:"

Annex 3

Paragraph 1.2.1., third indent, delete "to the requirements of Annex 4 or".

Paragraph 1.3.3.1., amend to read:

"1.3.3.1. General operating conditions

The path of the centreline of the vehicle shall follow the line CC' as closely as possible throughout the entire test, from the approach to line AA' until the rear of the vehicle passes line BB' +20m (see Annex 4 – Figure 1)."

Paragraph 1.4.1., amend to read:

"1.4.1. ...

The maximum A-weighted sound pressure level "L" indicated during each passage of the vehicle between AA' and when the rear of the vehicle passes BB' + 20 m (see Annex 4 - Figure 1) shall be reduced by $1 \ dB(A)$ to account for measurement inaccuracy and mathematically rounded to the nearest first decimal place (e.g. XX.X) for both microphone positions. If a sound peak obviously out of character with the general sound pressure level is observed, that measurement shall be discarded.

..."

Annex 4,

Title, delete *footnote 1* and amend to read:

"Test track layout"

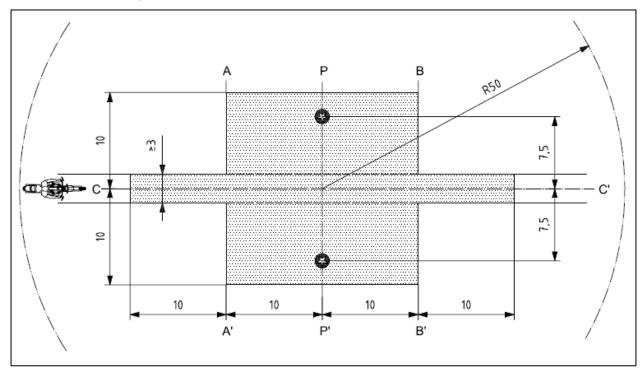
Paragraphs 1. (including footnote 2), 2., and 2.1. to 2.5., delete.

Paragraph 2.2., footnote 3, delete.

Paragraphs 3., 3.1., 3.2., 3.2.1., 3.2.1.1. to 3.2.1.4., and 3.2.2., delete.

Figure 1, amend to read:

Figure 1 **Test track layout with dimensions in meters**



Key				
	Minimum area covered with test road surface, i.e. test area			
0	Microphone positions (height 1,2m)			

Figure 2 and Table 1, delete.

Paragraphs 4., 4.1. to 4.3., 5. and 5.1. to 5.3., delete.

Paragraphs 6., 6.1., 6.1.1. to 6.1.6., 6.1.6.1. to 6.1.6.7. and 6.2., delete.

Annex 7, amend to read:

"Real Driving Additional Sound Emission Provisions (RD-ASEP)

- 1. Scope
- 1.1. This annex applies to vehicles of category L₃ with PMR >50.
- Additional sound emission requirements
- 2.1. Measuring instruments

The requirements for the measurement equipment are identical to those defined in paragraph 1.1. of Annex 3 for the tests of the motorcycle in motion.

2.2. Acoustical environment, meteorological conditions and background noise

The requirements concerning the acoustical environment, the meteorological conditions and the background noise are identical to those defined in paragraph 1.2. of Annex 3 for the tests of the motorcycle in motion.

2.3. Microphone positions and conditions of the vehicle

The requirements concerning the microphone positions and the conditions of the vehicle are identical to those defined in paragraphs 1.3.1. and 1.3.2. of Annex 3 for the tests of the motorcycle in motion.

2.4. General operating conditions

The general operating conditions are identical to those defined in paragraph 1.3.3.1. of Annex 3 for the tests of the motorcycle in motion.

2.5. RD-ASEP control range

The requirements of this annex apply to any vehicle operation with the following restrictions:

- (a) $v_{AA'}$ shall be at least 10 km/h
- (b) $v_{BB'}$ shall not exceed 80 km/h for vehicles with PMR \leq 150 $v_{BB'}$ shall not exceed 100 km/h for vehicles with PMR>150
- (c) $n_{AA'}$ shall be at least $0.1 * (S n_{idle}) + n_{idle}$
- (d) $n_{BB'}$ shall not exceed 0.8 x S

The values for the RD-ASEP control range shall be seen as absolute values and shall not be increased or lowered by addition or subtraction of the tolerance for v_{test} as indicated in paragraph 3.3.1.

2.6. RD-ASEP limits

The maximum noise level recorded during the passage of the motorcycle through the test track shall not exceed:

$$\begin{split} L_{\text{wot,(i)}} + & \left(1 * (n_{PP'} - n_{\text{wot,(i)}}) \ / \ 1,\!000\right) + 3 \qquad \text{for } n_{PP'} < n_{\text{wot,(i)}} \text{ and} \\ L_{\text{wot,(i)}} + & \left(5 * (n_{PP'} - n_{\text{wot,(i)}}) \ / \ 1,\!000\right) + 3 \qquad \text{for } n_{PP'} \ge n_{\text{wot,(i)}} \end{split}$$

Where $L_{\text{wot},(i)}$ and $n_{PP'}$ have the same meaning as in paragraph 1. of Annex 3 and $n_{\text{wot},(i)}$ refers to the corresponding engine speed when the front of the vehicle passes the line PP'.

If the tests according to Annex 3 of this UN Regulation and the RD-ASEP tests are performed with the same vehicle in immediate sequence, the values for $L_{wot(i)}$ and $n_{wot(i)}$ from the Annex 3 test may be used, if agreed by the type approval authority. Otherwise, when compliance with these limits is checked, values for $L_{wot(i)}$ and $n_{wot(i)}$ shall be newly determined by measurements as

defined in paragraph 1. of Annex 3, however using the same gear (i) and the same pre-acceleration distance as during type approval.

2.7. Facilities

Due to limitations of test facilities and in respect of safety, not every test condition may be safely performed on every test facility.

Notwithstanding such restrictions, the type approval shall be granted on these test facilities, however the vehicle has to comply to all provisions of this Annex 7. In these cases, the vehicle manufacturer shall explain to the satisfaction of the authority present at type approval that the vehicle fulfils the requirements which could not be tested due to the restriction of the test facility.

3. Testing compliance by measurements³

3.1. General

The Type Approval Authority as well as the technical service shall request tests to check the compliance of the motorcycle with the requirements of paragraph 2. above. To avoid undue workload, testing is restricted to the reference points defined in paragraph 3.2. below and three additional operating conditions as defined in paragraph 3.3. of this Annex per gear. The total number of operating conditions to be tested according to paragraph 3.3. of this Annex shall be reduced by the operating conditions which were applied for tests according to paragraph 3.2. of this Annex and for the determination of L_{urb} according to Annex 3.

For vehicles with variable gear ratios or automatic transmission with non-lockable gear ratios testing shall be limited to 6 operating conditions as defined in paragraph 3.3. of this Annex, and different from the operating conditions which were applied for the determination of L_{urb} according to Annex 3.

3.2. RD-ASEP reference test conditions

3.2.1. Test procedure

When the front of the vehicle reaches AA', the throttle shall be fully engaged and held fully engaged until the rear of the vehicle reaches BB'. The throttle shall then be returned as quickly as possible to the idle position. Preacceleration may be used if acceleration is delayed beyond AA'. The location of the start of the acceleration shall be reported.

3.2.2. Test speed and gear selection

The vehicle shall be tested at each of the following operating conditions:

(a) $v_{PP'} = 50 \text{ km/h}$

The selected gear (i) and pre-acceleration condition shall be the same as those used in the original type approval test of Annex 3 of this Regulation.

(b) v_{BB'} corresponding to

 $n_{BB'} = 0.8 \times S$

 $v_{BB^{\prime}}$ shall not exceed the values as specified in paragraph 2.5 (b) of this Annex.

The selected gear shall be 2nd. If the 3rd gear satisfies requirements of $n_{BB'}$ and $v_{BB'}$, 3rd shall be used. If the 4th gear satisfies requirements of $n_{BB'}$ and $v_{BB'}$, 4th shall be used. If the 5th gear satisfies requirements

³ It is recommended that the rider who is performing the tests is making himself familiar with the riding characteristics of the test vehicle before he performs the test runs.

of $n_{BB'}$ and $v_{BB'}$, 5th shall be used. If the 6th gear satisfies requirements of $n_{BB'}$ and $v_{BB'}$, 6th shall be used.

If in 2nd gear under the above-mentioned condition for n_{BB} the vehicle speed at line BB' would exceed the value for v_{BB} as specified in paragraph 2.5. of this Annex, the test shall be performed in 2nd gear and a maximum vehicle speed as specified in paragraph 2.5. of this Annex shall be reached at line BB' instead.

If during the test unusual riding conditions (such as apparent wheel spin or front wheel lift up) occur, the test shall be performed in the next higher gear, and the maximum vehicle speed as specified in paragraph 2.5. of this Annex shall be reached at line BB' instead.

3.2.3. Data processing and reporting

The requirements of paragraph 1.4. of Annex 3 shall be applied.

In addition the engine speed values at AA', BB', and PP' in units of min⁻¹ shall be mathematically rounded to the nearest integer for further calculations. For a given test condition the three individual engine speeds shall be averaged arithmetically.

The final sound pressure levels for the full throttle acceleration shall not exceed the limits specified in paragraph 2.6. above.

3.3. Additional operating conditions

3.3.1. Test procedure

The vehicle shall approach the line AA' at constant speed or in acceleration or deceleration, according to the throttle operation which may be requested by the technical service responsible for conducting approval tests in agreement with the type approval authorities.

The approach velocity shall be chosen as such that the vehicle reaches a prescribed test speed v_{test} +/- 5 km/h when its front passes the line AA'.

Examples:

requested $v_{test}=10 \text{ km/h} \rightarrow \text{valid } v_{AA}=10-15 \text{ km/h}$

requested $v_{test}=15 \text{ km/h} \rightarrow \text{valid } v_{AA}=10-20 \text{ km/h}$

requested v_{test} =75 km/h \rightarrow valid v_{AA} :=70-80 km/h

requested v_{test} =95 km/h \rightarrow valid v_{AA} =90-100 km/h

requested $v_{test}=100 \text{ km/h} \rightarrow \text{valid } v_{AA}=95-100 \text{ km/h}$

When the front of the vehicle passes the line AA' the throttle control shall be adjusted as rapidly as possible to a position (partial throttle, wide open throttle or maintain present throttle control position) which may be defined by the technical service responsible for conducting approval tests in agreement with the type approval authorities and shall be kept in this position until the rear of the vehicle passes line BB'.

When the rear of the vehicle passes line BB' the throttle control shall be shifted to the idle position as rapidly as possible.

The throttle position between lines AA' and BB' shall not result in a deceleration of the vehicle.

3.3.2. Test speed, gear and mode selection and throttle operation

The conditions of this paragraph may be defined by the technical service responsible for conducting the approval tests in agreement with the type approval authorities.

The test speed v_{test} may be any speed within the RD-ASEP control range as defined in paragraph 2.5. of this Annex.

The vehicle may be tested in any of the available gears, including 1st gear.

The vehicle may be tested in any of the available user selectable software programs or modes which affect the sound emissions of the vehicle.

The throttle operation shall be in accordance with paragraph 3.3.1. of this Annex.

The throttle operation before line AA' and between lines AA' and BB' shall be defined and described in a way that it can be performed by a skilled rider who has made himself familiar with the riding characteristics of the test vehicle and that the correct execution can be assessed by observation without the necessity of technical equipment on the vehicle or at the test site other than the equipment which is required for the tests according to Annex 3.

If the requested operating conditions lead to an unusual vehicle behaviour (i.e. front wheel lift up, apparent wheel spin, chain slap, engine lugging) or any other riding condition which may not be expected to occur when the vehicle is operated in real traffic, that test run shall be discarded and a test run with different operating conditions shall be performed.

- 3.3.3. Data processing and reporting
- 3.3.3.1. The maximum A-weighted sound pressure level "L" indicated during the passage of the vehicle between AA' and when the rear of the vehicle passes BB' + 20 m (see Annex 4 Figure 1) shall be reduced by 1 dB(A) to account for measurement inaccuracy and mathematically rounded to the nearest first decimal place (e.g. XX.X) for each microphone position.⁴

If a sound peak obviously out of character with the general sound pressure level is observed, the measurement shall be discarded, and the test run shall be repeated with the same operating conditions.

3.3.3.2. Processing of the sound pressure measurements and calculation of the final test results

 $L_{ASEP} = MAX \; (L_{ASEP,left}; \; L_{ASEP,right})$

Where the index "left, "right" refers to the microphone position (left or right).

- 3.3.3.3. The engine speed values at AA', BB', and PP' in units of min⁻¹ shall be mathematically rounded to the nearest integer for further calculations
- 3.3.3.4. The final sound pressure levels for the additional operating conditions shall not exceed the limits specified in paragraph 2.6. of this Annex."

⁴ The sound pressure level "L" is determined by a single test run