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This standard is/is not a nationally adopted international standard. (national adoption means it is identical and we changed nothing of the text in the ISO/IEC standard)

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This standard is a revision of ANSI S12.##-yyyy, which has been technically revised. <Insert a brief description of the revision(s) contained in this edition.>

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Replace this text with your introductory text. An introduction is optional. Do not duplicate the Scope or Foreword. Do not include any requirements. If a more detailed description of the background for the standard is considered appropriate, it shall be placed in an informative annex.

**Draft American National Standard**

Standard Title

# Scope

Insert the text here. The scope should explain what is and, if necessary, what is not covered by the proposed standard. The scope of a standard shall not exceed the approved scope of the Accredited Standards Committee. The scope shall not contain requirements. In standards that are subdivided into parts, the scope of each part shall describe only the subject of that part of the standard.

The statement of the scope of a standard shall cover as many of the following items as applicable:

1. general description of the subject of the standard, the aspects covered, and the fundamental assumptions on which the standard is based,
2. indication of the uses of the data or devices developed in accordance with the standard,
3. indication of the intended users of the standard,
4. a statement of the possible consequences of the use of the procedure, methods, or quantities addressed by the standard
5. a description of the applications, or field of applications, for the standard.

# Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this standard. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

Use Normal style for normative references. If no normative references are needed, delete the heading for “normative references” and begin the text at Clause 2 for “terms and definitions.” The following are examples of normative references; please replace with your own.

ANSI/ASA S1.4-2014/Part 1 /IEC 61672-1:2013 Electroacoustics – Sound Level Meters – Part 1: Specifications

ANSI/ASA S1.6-2016 American National Standard – Preferred Frequencies, Frequency Levels, and Band Numbers for Acoustical Measurements

IEC 60537:1976 Frequency weighting for the measurement of aircraft noise (D-weighting)

IEC 61012:1990 Filters for the measurement of audible sound in the presence of ultrasound

IEEE 260.4-2018 Standard for Letter Symbols and Abbreviations for Quantities Used in Acoustics

ISO 7196:1995 Acoustics – Frequency-weighting characteristic for infrasound measurements

# Terms and definitions

This is an OPTIONAL element. If there are terms that need to be defined for the purpose of this standard, define them here. Insert the text here using the Definition Style. See Clause 3 and Annex B of the *Editorial Guidelines for Preparation of American National Standards in Acoustics, Mechanical Vibration and Shock, Bioacoustics, and Noise* for guidance in creating definitions. Follow the format in the example below. Begin the clause with the following "boiler plate” language:

For the purposes of this standard, the terms and definitions given in <Insert designation of appropriate terminology standard, e.g., ANSI/ASA S1.1> and the following apply:

* 1. **term**. a technical word or phrase used in a specific context within this standard.
  2. **adaptor**. Mechanical fixture inserted between the microphone and preamp.

NOTE 1 For the purposes of this standard, the adaptor may be metal or plastic.

NOTE 2 An adaptor may have a screw or snap on connector.

# First requirements clause title

## Subclause with notes on various styles

Insert text describing the normative requirements of the standard here. Most text in clauses and subclauses is formatted using the Normal Style in 10 point type. Although there are some instances where you will use different styles, which are listed in the following subclauses.

### 2nd level subclause with notes and examples

Notes and examples use the Note Style. The format for placing notes in a standard is slightly different if there is one note or example being inserted or two or more.

Example of a single note:

NOTE When a single note is inserted it is not numbered. Using the NOTE Style, type the word NOTE in capitals and strike the TAB key to position the cursor to begin the note.

Example of insertion of two or more notes:

NOTE 1 The word "NOTE" preceded the numeral that is assigned to the NOTE.

NOTE 2 Each note is numbered, with no en-dash or other punctuation separating the number and the text, just a blank space.

Notes and examples should be placed at the end of the clause or subclause, or after the paragraph to which they refer.

EXAMPLE Notes and Examples integrated into the text of a standard are preceded by the word NOTE or EXAMPLE in all capital letters.

#### 3rd level subclause with information about Lists

Insert the text here using the Normal Style. When you want to create a list, choose the list type from the styles offered.

* List Bullet styles (for unordered lists)

1. List Number styles (for ordered lists)

##### 4th level subclause

Insert subclause text here using the Normal Style.

## Equations

Each equation should be numbered within parenthesis at the right-hand margin as shown. Use the Equation Style for the equations and their numbering.

The level is given by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
|  | (1) |

where *p*0 is 20 Pa.

The area of a circle is given by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
|  | () |

where *r* is the radius.

The Taylor expansion is given by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
|  | (3) |

The Fourier series is given by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
|  | () |

# Tables

Tables should be prepared using the Table layout tool. Format the table caption with the Table Caption style. Format the table content using one of the Table Text styles.

Table 1 – Sample table without notes or footnotes.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Type** | **Distance (m)** | **Sound Pressure Level (dB)** |
| 1 | 1.0 | 50 |
| 2 | 1.5 | 55 |
| 3 | 2.0 | 60 |
| 4 | 2.5 | 65 |
| 5 | 3.0 | 70 |
| 6 | 3.5 | 75 |
| 7 | 4.0 | 80 |
| 8 | 4.5 | 85 |

Place notes and footnotes within the frame of the table. Indicate notes to a table by the sequence NOTE 1, NOTE 2, etc., with a new sequence for each table.

A single note shall be preceded by the word NOTE.

Table 2 – Sample table with notes and footnotes.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Category 1** | **Category 2** | **Category 3** | **Category 4** | **Category 5** |
| 100 | 200a | 300 | 400 | 500 |
| NOTE Insert Table Note text here | | | | |
| a Insert Table footnote here using the Table Footnote Style | | | | |

# Figures

You may want to insert information or graphs. Use the Figure Caption Style to format the figure number and caption. Figure numbers and titles are centered below the figure. Figures shall be centered, cropped, and sized so that text in the figure, including axis labels, appear the same size as normal 10 pt. type in the main text of the standard. The Figure is inserted as an enhanced windows meta file (\*.emf).

No table of figures entries found.Figure 1 – Caption for sample Figure 1.

Both notes and footnotes to figures shall be treated independently from notes integrated in the text. They shall be located above the title of the relevant figure. Notes shall precede figure footnotes (if any).

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2. Annex clause

The clauses, subclauses, tables, figures and mathematical formulae of an annex shall be numberedusing the letter designating that annex followed by a period (full stop) then the numeral(s) for that clauseor subclause. The numbering shall restart with each annex. A single annex shall be designated“Annex A”.

Use Styles A.2, A.3, etc., to generate headings for clauses and subclauses within an annex.

* 1. Description of normative annex

A normative annex shall be referred to as such in the main body of the standard, by the second line of the title of the annex, by the listing of the annex in the Contents, and by the choice of the verb forms for the text of the annex.

* 1. Description of an informative annex

Informative annexes provide additional, but non-essential information. They are provided only for clarification, illustration, and general information about the standard. For many standards it is appropriate and desirable to include additional related information for general use and guidance. Such information, however, cannot be a normative part of the standard and is appropriately included in an informative annex.

No material that is rightfully a normative part of a standard shall be placed in an informative annex. The material in an informative annex shall be within or closely related to the scope of the standard and not inconsistent with the standard itself. If the material is rightfully part of the standard, it shall be included as a normative annex and so identified as described in 3.22.3.

NOTE Although an informative annex is not a normative part of a standard, it is included in the overall approval process by the Standards Committee.

Examples of material appropriate for an informative annex include:

* 1. Remarks about significance and interpretation of the standard, for example, to amplify or explain a statement in the text of the standard;
  2. Background for, and development of, equations used in calculations;
  3. Charts, tables, graphs, or supplementary information needed for computations;
  4. Data forms for recording of test results (such forms may also be given in a normative annex);
  5. Comments on the rationale for development of the method or procedure in the standard;
  6. Software accompanying a standard.
  7. Information about software accompanying a standard and instructions for its use.

An informative annex may contain equations, tables, and figures but may not include normative information, such as requirements. Such equations, tables, and figures shall have an identification that is unique to each annex.

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