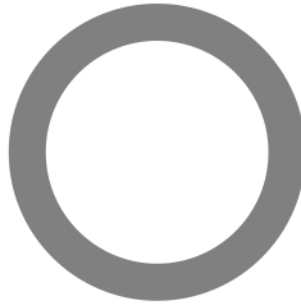


ASTM E 90-09: Laboratory Measurement of Airborne Sound Transmission of Building Partitions and Elements

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TEST

Client: Cemco
Report Date: June 22, 2015
Test Date: October 28, 2015
Test Number: OL15-1012

ACCREDITATION



For the scope of accreditation under NVLAP code 200248-0

RESULT SUMMARY

STC=51

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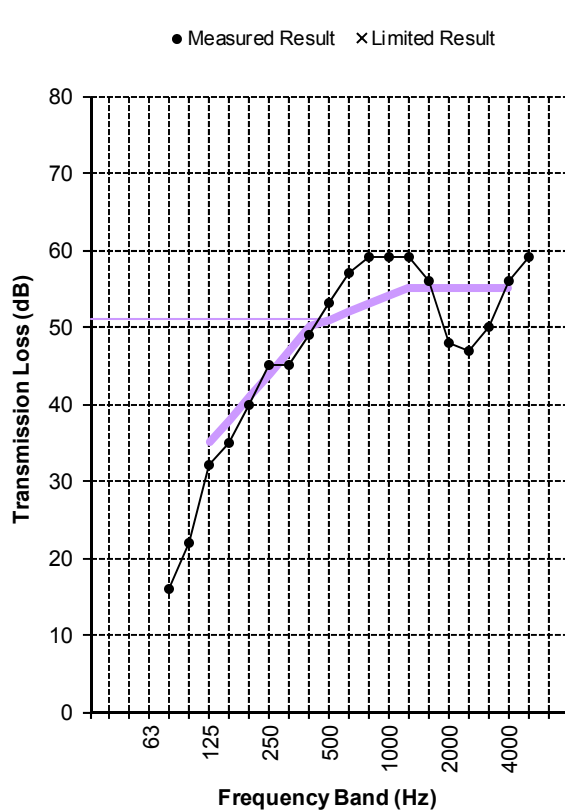




**Test Date** October 28, 2015  
**Specimen** Wall Assembly

**Method** ASTM Standard E90  
**Technician** D. Berg

Single Number Rating  
**STC = 51**



Freq. (Hz)	TL (dB)	Def. (dB)
80	16	
100	22	
125	32	3
160	35	3
200	40	1
250	45	-
315	45	2
400	49	1
500	53	-
630	57	-
800	59	-
1000	59	-
1250	59	-
1600	56	-
2000	48	7
2500	47	8
3150	50	5
4000	56	-
5000	59	-

Total Deficiencies 30

\* Estimate of lower limit

**Assembly Elements** (listed in order from source room side to receiver room side)

- 0.625" (5/8") type X gypsum (vs); 1.625" type S screw @ 12" O.C.
- 0.625" (5/8") type X gypsum (v); 1.25" type S screw @ 12" O.C.
- Slotted 20 ga. top track
- Cemco Viper 20 ga. eq. steel studs @ 24" O.C.
- (3.5") fiberglass insulations (R13)
- 0.625" (5/8") type X gypsum (v); 1.25" type S screw @ 12" O.C.

- (h) = horizontal installation
- (hs) = horizontal installation with staggered seams
- (v) = vertical installation
- (vs) = vertical installation with staggered seams





## SPECIMEN DESCRIPTION

The specimen under test was a wall assembly. The elements in the assembly are described briefly below the results table and chart on page 2. Detailed information regarding the specimen may be found in Appendix C.

Test results pertain to this specimen only.

## INSTALLATION AND DISPOSITION

The 3-5/8" steel track and frame was constructed on October 28, 2015. The framing and insulation were retained for subsequent tests in the series. Independent contractors fabricated the test specimen and sealed it in the specimen opening as described in the detailed sample description in Appendix C. Qualified representatives of Orfield Laboratories observed the installation progress, and visually inspected the specimen prior to testing.

## TEST METHODS

The methods followed these published standards:

ASTM E90-09\*: *Standard Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Airborne Sound Transmission Loss of Building Partitions and Elements*

ASTM E413-10: *Classification for Rating Sound Insulation*

The values presented in this report are from single-direction transmission loss measurements.

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**APPENDIX A: MEASUREMENT SETUP**

**Environment**

Temperature	69°F [20.6°C]
Relative Humidity	50%

**Specimen Area**

Specimen Area	64.5 ft² [5.99 m²]
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**Chamber Volume - Airborne Transmission**

Source Room Volume	3284 ft³ [93.0 m³]
Receiving Room Volume	8281 ft³ [234.5 m³]

**Chamber Volume - Impact Transmission**

Source Room Volume	8281 ft³ [234.5 m³]
Receiving Room Volume	2062 ft³ [58.4 m³]

**INSTRUMENTATION**

Description	Brand	Model	S/N
Analyzer	Norsonic	Type 121	31185
Calibrator	Brüel & Kjær	Type 4230	372201
Microphone	Brüel & Kjær	Type 4134	296819
Microphone	Brüel & Kjær	Type 4134	1675265
Preamplifier	G.R.A.S.	TMS126AF	10038
Preamplifier	Brüel & Kjær	Type 2639	1312147
Rotating Boom	Brüel & Kjær	Type 3923	936491
Rotating Boom	Brüel & Kjær	Type 3923	2036583
Power Supply	Brüel & Kjær	Type WB1057	n/a
Loudspeakers	JBL	EON15	J149N-023374 J149N-024235 J149N-137360
Subwoofer	JBL	JRX-118SP	P0370-018539





**APPENDIX B: CALCULATION RESULTS**

Freq. Band (Hz)	Specimen T.L. (dB)	95% Conf. (dB)	Flanking Limit (dB)	STC Defic. (dB)
25				
31.5	29.1		40	
40	16.5		47	
50	19.7		43	
63	17.3		43	
80	15.7	±5.02	41	
100	22.1	±3.05	46	
125	32.3	±2.35	51	3
160	35.4	±2.38	55	3
200	40.4	±1.55	57	1
250	44.6	±1.09	60	-
315	45.0	±0.89	60	2
400	49.4	±0.74	61	1
500	53.5	±0.98	66	-
630	56.6	±0.93	68	-
800	58.5	±0.52	72	-
1000	59.0	±0.67	75	-
1250	59.0	±0.85	72	-
1600	56.4	±0.49	73	-
2000	48.5	±0.38	77	7
2500	47.1	±0.57	81	8
3150	50.4	±0.70	84	5
4000	55.5	±0.50	78	-
5000	58.7			
6300	62.8			
8000	65.7 *			
10000	62.0 *			
Total deficiencies below STC contour (dB)				30
STC contour [ASTM E413]				51

\* Actual transmission loss of specimen may be higher than measured at this frequency band. Signal-to-noise in the receiving room less than 5 dB, therefore the result is "an estimate of the lower limit".

Note: 95% confidence intervals for T.L. measurements from room qualification data. ASTM 1289 reference sample and repeatability data available upon request. The standard deviation of reproducibility is stated in ASTM E90 as <2 dB for frequencies from 125 Hz to 4 kHz. Flanking Limit from chamber flanking study. Extended frequency results below 80Hz and above 5000Hz are for reference only.





**APPENDIX C: SPECIMEN ASSEMBLY DESCRIPTION**

The following table shows the description of the wall assembly.

Overall Mass = 484.4 lb [219.7 kg]

Overall Surface Density = 7.51 PSF [36.67 kg/m<sup>2</sup>]

Element	Mass lb [kg]	Surf. Dens. PSF [kg/m <sup>2</sup> ]
0.625" (5/8") Type X (vs); 1.625" Type S screws @ 12" O.C.	144.0 [65.3]	2.23 [10.90]
0.625" (5/8") Type X gypsum (v); 1.25" type S screw @ 12" O.C.	143.0 [64.9]	2.22 [10.82]
Slotted 20 ga. Top track	3.3 [1.5]	0.05 [0.25]
Cemco Viper 20 ga. eq. steel studs @ 24" O.C.	30.3 [13.7]	0.47 [2.29]
(3.5") fiberglass insulations (R13)	19.2 [8.7]	0.30 [1.45]
0.625" (5/8") Type X gypsum (v); 1.25" type S screw @ 12" O.C.	144.7 [65.6]	2.24 [10.95]

- (h) = horizontal installation
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- (v) = vertical installation
- (vs) = vertical installation with staggered seams

The Cemco ViperStuds, HOTROD Type X and slotted track and were supplied by the Client. The type X gypsum board sheeting was also provided by the client and was shipped directly from a third party supplier. All other materials were purchased through local retail channels. All materials were weighed prior to installation. Weights of fasteners and sealant are not represented in the above totals.

**FRAMING**

A steel frame was constructed in the laboratory test opening. The framing consisted of a Cemco 20 gauge (.0346" thick), slotted head track, a Cemco 3-5/8" x 1-1/4", 20 gauge equivalent (.0205" thick) steel bottom track, and 5 Cemco ViperStud, 3-5/8" x 1-1/4", 20 gauge equivalent (0.0205") steel studs installed 24" on center. The slotted top track was fastened to the top of the test opening with screws and concrete anchors.

**INSULATION**

Fiberglass insulation batts were installed in the stud cavities. The insulation batts were 24" wide, 3.5" thick R13, and were friction fit into each of the 4 stud cavities.

**SHEETING**

The source room side sheeting consisted of two 5/8" thick gypsum board sheeting layers. The inner source room side sheeting consisted of two sheets of 5/8" thick type X gypsum board fastened parallel to the steel studs with 1-1/4" long, type S drywall screws spaced at 12" O.C. in the field and spaced at 8" at the sheet edges. The outer source room side sheeting layer was installed parallel to the studs with 1-5/8" type S drywall screws spaced at 12" O.C. in the field and spaced at 8" O.C. at the sheet edges. The outer layer of gypsum board sheets was split to stagger the seams from the inner layer. The three split sections consisted of one 24" wide section at each of the two sides and one 48" wide section in the center.





Both layers of gypsum board sheeting were cut short at the head to intentionally leave a gap of approximately 1/2" across the top. Also, CEMCO HOTROD foam backer rod and tape / joint compound were applied to the top on this side.

The receiving room sheeting consisted of one 5/8" thick gypsum board sheeting layer. The receiving room side sheeting consisted of two sheets of 5/8" thick type X gypsum board fastened parallel to the steel studs with 1-1/4" long, type S drywall screws spaced at 12" O.C. in the field and spaced at 8" at the sheet edges.

Panels were shimmed at installation to leave a minimal gap at the bottom and the intentional 1/2" gap at the top. Shims were removed after sheeting was fastened and the perimeter at the sides and bottom edge was sealed on the source and receiving room sides with acoustic sealant, 1-7/8" wide, 2 mil aluminum foil tape and 7/8" dense putty tape. No sealant, foil tape, or putty tape was applied at the head edge. The seams were sealed with acoustic sealant and 2 mil aluminum foil tape.



**APPENDIX D: SINGLE-NUMBER CALCULATION TO ISO 717-1**

Freq.	$R_i$	Ref	Unfav.	$L_{i1}$	$L_{i1} - R_i$	$L_{i2}$	$L_{i2} - R_i$
Band	$(R_i \equiv TL)$	Curve	Deviat.	Spectrum	Level	Spectrum	Level
(Hz)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)
50	19.7						
63	17.3						
80	15.7						
100	22.1	31	8.9	-29.0	-51.1	-20.0	-42.1
125	32.3	34	1.7	-26.0	-58.3	-20.0	-52.3
160	35.4	37	1.6	-23.0	-58.4	-18.0	-53.4
200	40.4	40	-	-21.0	-61.4	-18.0	-58.4
250	44.6	43	-	-19.0	-63.6	-15.0	-59.6
315	45.0	46	1.0	-17.0	-62.0	-14.0	-59.0
400	49.4	49	-	-15.0	-64.4	-13.0	-62.4
500	53.5	50	-	-13.0	-66.5	-12.0	-65.5
630	56.6	51	-	-12.0	-68.6	-11.0	-67.6
800	58.5	52	-	-11.0	-69.5	-9.0	-67.5
1000	59.0	53	-	-10.0	-69.0	-8.0	-67.0
1250	59.0	54	-	-9.0	-68.0	-9.0	-68.0
1600	56.4	54	-	-9.0	-65.4	-10.0	-66.4
2000	48.5	54	5.5	-9.0	-57.5	-11.0	-59.5
2500	47.1	54	6.9	-9.0	-56.1	-13.0	-60.1
3150	50.4	54	3.6	-9.0	-59.4	-15.0	-65.4
4000	55.5						
5000	58.7						
		Sum=	29.2	$R_{A,1} =$	47.2	$R_{A,2} =$	41.0
		$R_w =$	50	$C =$	-3	$C_{tr} =$	-9
					$R_w (C ; C_{tr}) = 50 (-3 ; -9)$		
					$R_w (C ; C_{tr} ; C_{50-3150} ; C_{tr, 50-3150}) = 50 (-3 ; -9 ; -6 ; -16)$		
					$R_w (C ; C_{tr} ; C_{100-5000} ; C_{tr, 100-5000}) = 50 (-3 ; -9 ; -2 ; -9)$		
					$R_w (C ; C_{tr} ; C_{50-5000} ; C_{tr, 50-5000}) = 50 (-3 ; -9 ; -5 ; -16)$		

Note: The calculations in ISO 717-1 are performed based on assumed equivalency of the ASTM and the corresponding ISO test methods. The test herein is performed according to the ASTM standards. Orfield Laboratories *does not* hold accreditation for ISO 140 or ISO 717 under their NVLAP scope of accreditation.

The spectrum adaptation terms  $C$  and  $C_{tr}$  characterize performance against two specific sound sources, A-weighted pink noise and A-weighted traffic noise respectively. The standard ISO 717-1 includes a discussion of "Use of Spectrum Adaptation Terms" in Annex A (informative).

Each spectrum adaptation term may additionally be reported with extended frequency bands included. A calculation for the primary frequency range is shown above, but all available extended-frequency calculations were performed to compare against corresponding ratings of other specimens.

