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 $\begin{array}{c} Sound\ Transmission\ Loss\\ RAL^{TM}\text{-}TL21\text{-}020 \end{array}$

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ON: 8-Inch Concrete Slab with vinyl plank flooring, insulated dual-layer gypsum board ceiling on ClarkDietrich Sound ClipsTM (CDSC)

TEST METHODOLOGY

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INFORMATION PROVIDED BY SPONSOR

The test specimen was designated by the sponsor as 8-Inch Concrete Slab with vinyl plank flooring, insulated dual-layer gypsum board ceiling on ClarkDietrich Sound ClipsTM (CDSC). The following nominal product information was provided by the sponsor prior to testing. The accuracy of such sponsor-provided information can affect the validity of the test results.

Products Under Test

Isolating Clips

Trade Name: ClarkDietrich Sound ClipsTM (CDSC)

Manufacturer: ClarkDietrich

Furring Channel

Trade Name: 087F125-18 (33ksi, G40EQ)

Material: 7/8 in. Furring/Hat Channel – 25 ga (18 mils)

Manufacturer: ClarkDietrich



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SPECIMEN MEASUREMENTS & TEST CONDITIONS

The building contractor (Seth Priser) and RAL staff compiled a detailed construction specification as follows, in order of installation:

Concrete Slab

Material: Wire-reinforced concrete

Dimensions: 4 @ 610 mm (24 in.) x 4267 mm (168 in.)

Thickness: 203 mm (8 in.)

Overall Weight: 5023.08 kg (11074 lbs)

Mass per Unit Area: 482.75 kg/m² (98.875 lbs/ft²)

Installation: Laid in test opening over 152.4 mm (6 in.) wide knee walls constructed

from isolated wood framing

Joint undersides sealed with acoustical caulk and tape

Top of joints filled with general purpose sand, sealed with premixed

masonry joint compound

Ceiling Assembly

Isolating Clips

Material: Metal, rubber (see Products Under Test)

Dimensions: 76 mm (3 in.) long by 35 mm (1.375 in.) wide

Thickness: 32 mm (1.25 in.)

Installation: Fastened through center to anchor holes in underside of concrete slabs

Staggered array, spaced 1219 mm (48 in.) on center, 16 pieces total

1.02 kg (2.25 lbs) Overall Weight:

Furring Channel

Material: Steel furring channel (see Products Under Test)

Dimensions: 7 @ 2463.8 mm (97 in.) long by 69 mm (2.72 in.) wide

Formed Depth: 22.2 mm (0.875 in.) Steel Thickness: 0.49 mm (0.019 in.)

Installation: Clipped in to isolating clips, oriented perpendicular to concrete slab

Overall Weight: 6.58 kg (14.5 lbs)

Mass per Unit Length: 0.38 kg/m (0.26 lbs/ft)



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Ceiling Assembly (continued)

Insulation

Material: R-6.7 unfaced fiberglass insulation

Dimensions: 406 mm (16 in.) wide by 1219 mm (48 in.) long pieces

Thickness: 51 mm (2 in.)

Installation: Draped over hat channel

Orientation: Length of pieces perpendicular to furring channel

Overall Weight: 4.31 kg (9.5 lbs)

Density: $8.78 \text{ kg/m}^3 (0.55 \text{ lbs/ft}^3)$

Gypsum Layer 1

Material: Type X gypsum board

Manufacturer: USG

Brand name: Sheetrock® brand, Firecode® core (type X)

Dimensions: 1219 mm (48 in.) wide by 2616 mm (103 in.) long

1219 mm (48 in.) wide by 2584.5 mm (101.75 in.) long 1219 mm (48 in.) wide by 1384 mm (54.5 in.) long 1219 mm (48 in.) wide by 1346 mm (53 in.) long

15.9 mm (0.625 in.) Thickness:

Installation: Fastened to furring channel at center flange

Fasteners: Type S bugle head drywall screws @ 31.8 mm (1.25 in.)

Fastener Spacing: 610 mm (24 in.) on center

Overall Weight: 105.23 kg (232 lbs)

Mass per Unit Area: $10.88 \text{ kg/m}^2 (2.23 \text{ lbs/ft}^2)$

Gypsum Layer 2

Material: Type X gypsum board

Manufacturer: USG

Brand name: Sheetrock® brand, Firecode® core (type X)

1 @ 1219 mm (48 in.) wide by 2019 mm (79.5 in.) long Dimensions:

> 1 @ 1219 mm (48 in.) wide by 1962 mm (77.25 in.) long 1 @ 610 mm (24 in.) wide by 2616 mm (103 in.) long 1 @ 610 mm (24 in.) wide by 2572 mm (101.25 in.) long

1 @ 610 mm (24 in.) wide by 1365 mm (53.75 in.) long 1 @ 610 mm (24 in.) wide by 1403 mm (55.25 in.) long

15.9 mm (0.625 in.) Thickness:

Installation: Fastened through Gypsum Layer 1 to center flange of furring channel

Type S bugle head drywall screws @ 41.3 mm (1.625 in.) Fasteners:

Fastener Spacing: 610 mm (24 in.) on center

103.87 kg (229 lbs) Overall Weight:



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Ceiling Assembly (continued)

Gypsum Layer 2

Mass per Unit Area: 10.70 kg/m² (2.19 lbs/ft²)

Note: Joints and screw heads on the exposed face of the gypsum board in the receive room were treated with a thin bead of acoustical sealant and metal tape (0.23 kg (0.5 lbs) total).

Flooring

Material: Luxury vinyl planks, interlocking edge design

Dimensions: 2438 mm (96 in.) by 4267 mm (168 in.) as installed

Plank width @ 220 mm (8.7 in.)

Thickness: 7 mm (0.276 in.)

Installation: Planks joined at edges, loose laid over concrete slab

Plank lengths varied to facilitate staggered joints

Overall Weight: 83.69 kg (184.5 lbs)Mass per Unit Area: $8.04 \text{ kg/m}^2 (1.65 \text{ lbs/ft}^2)$



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Overall Specimen Measurements

Dimensions: 2.44 m (96.0 in) wide by 4.27 m (168 in.) long

Thickness: 293 mm (11.529 in)

Weight: 5328.01 kg (11746.25 lbs)

Overall Area: $10.405 \text{ m}^2 (112 \text{ ft}^2)$

Mass per Unit Area: 512.06 kg/m² (104.88 lbs/ft²)

Test Aperture

Opening Size: 4.27 m (14.0 ft) x 6.10 m (20.0 ft)

Filler Wall: Yes

Aperture Size: 2.44 m (96 in.) by 3.86 m (152 in.)

Transmission Area: 9.414 m² (101.33 ft²)

Sealed: Entire periphery (both sides) with dense mastic

Test Environment

Source Room

Volume: 130.84 m³

Temperature: $20.6 \, ^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 0.0 \, ^{\circ}\text{C}$ Relative Humidity: $49.0 \, \% \pm 0.0 \, \%$

Receive Room

Volume: 81.9 m³

Temperature: $20.6~^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 0.0~^{\circ}\text{C}$ Relative Humidity: $47.0~\% \pm 0.0~\%$

Requirements

Temperature: 22° C +/- 2° C, not more than 3° C change over all tests.

Relative Humidity: $\geq 30\%$, not more than +/- 3% change over all tests.



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Figure 1 – Specimen mounted in test opening, as viewed from source room



Figure 2 – Specimen mounted in test opening, as viewed from receive room



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Figure 3 – Concrete slabs prior to installation of flooring, viewed from source room



Figure 4 – Detail of isolating clip



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Figure 5 – Detail of isolating clip



Figure 6 – Isolating clips installed to bottom of concrete slabs



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Figure 7 – Furring channel installed on isolating clips



Figure 8 – Furring channel and insulation installed below slabs



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Figure 9 – First layer of gypsum board partially installed

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TEST RESULTS

Sound transmission loss values are tabulated at the eighteen standard frequency bands. A graphic presentation of the data and additional information appear on the following pages. The precision of the transmission loss test data is within the limits set by the ASTM Standard E90-09 (2016). See Appendix A for identification of corrections applied to the reported data.

| FREQ. | <u>TL</u> | ΔTL | <u>DEF.</u> | FREQ. | <u>TL</u> | ΔTL | DEF. |
|-------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------|-----------|-------------|------|
| | | | | | | | |
| 100 | 37 | 0.62 | 0 | 800 | 68 | 0.23 | 0 |
| 125 | 45 | 0.64 | 2 | 1000 | 72 | 0.23 | 0 |
| 160 | 44 | 0.69 | 6 | 1250 | 76 | 0.15 | 0 |
| 200 | 46 | 0.56 | 7 | 1600 | 80 | 0.16 | 0 |
| 250 | 48 | 0.47 | 8 | 2000 | 81 | 0.14 | 0 |
| 315 | 55 | 0.32 | 4 | 2500 | 86 | 0.09 | 0 |
| 400 | 58 | 0.32 | 4 | 3150 | 92 | 0.58 | 0 |
| 500 | 62 | 0.17 | 1 | 4000 | 91 | 0.30 | 0 |
| 630 | 64 | 0.17 | 0 | 5000 | 86 | 0.16 | 0 |

STC=63

ABBREVIATION INDEX

FREQ. = 1/3 OCTAVE BAND CENTER FREQUENCY, Hz

TL = TRANSMISSION LOSS, dB

 $\Delta TL = 95\%$ CONFIDENCE INTERVAL FOR TL MEASUREMENTS, dB

DEF. = DEFICIENCIES, dB BELOW SHIFTED STC CONTOUR (SUM OF DEF = 32)

STC = SOUND TRANSMISSION CLASS

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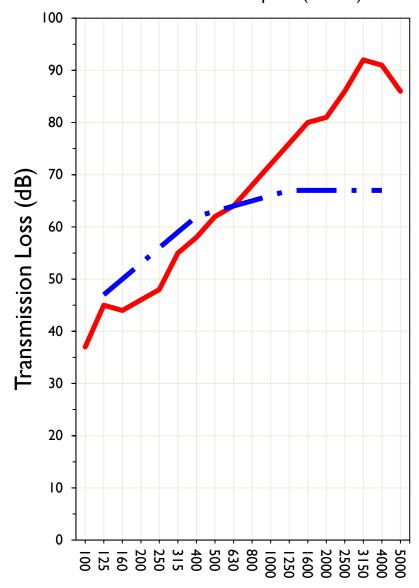
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SOUND TRANSMISSION REPORT

8-Inch Concrete Slab with vinyl plank flooring, insulated dual-layer gypsum board ceiling on ClarkDietrich Sound Clips™ (CDSC)



Frequency (Hz)

STC=63
TRANSMISSION LOSS
SOUND TRANSMISSION CLASS CONTOUR



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APPENDIX A: Extended Frequency Range Data

Specimen: 8-Inch Concrete Slab with vinyl plank flooring, insulated dual-layer gypsum board ceiling on ClarkDietrich Sound ClipsTM (CDSC) (See Full Report)

The following non-accredited data were obtained in accordance with ASTM E90-09 (2016), but extend beyond the defined frequency range of 100Hz to 5,000Hz. These unofficial results are representative of the RAL test environment only and intended for research & comparison purposes. Sampling precision observed during this procedure is reported below. Corrections are detailed in Appendix B.

| 1/3 Octave Band | Sound | | | |
|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Center Frequency | Transmission Loss | Applicable | ΔTL (Eq. A2.5) | Repeatability |
| (Hz) | (dB) | Corrections | (dB) | (dB) |
| | | | | |
| 31.5 | 33 | Z F | 1.23 | 5.61 |
| 40 | 34 | ZZ F | 0.90 | 1.09 |
| 50 | 34 | ZZ F | 0.62 | 0.97 |
| 63 | 32 | Z F | 1.06 | 0.71 |
| 80 | 38 | ZZ F | 0.62 | 0.72 |
| 100 | 37 | ZZ F | 0.62 | 1.90 |
| 125 | 45 | ZZ F | 0.64 | 0.85 |
| 160 | 44 | ZZ F | 0.69 | 1.16 |
| 200 | 46 | ZZ F | 0.56 | 0.94 |
| 250 | 48 | ZZ F | 0.47 | 2.47 |
| 315 | 55 | ZZ F | 0.32 | 1.39 |
| 400 | 58 | ZZ F | 0.32 | 3.10 |
| 500 | 62 | ZZ F | 0.17 | 4.03 |
| 630 | 64 | ZZ F | 0.17 | 2.86 |
| 800 | 68 | ZZ F | 0.23 | 1.27 |
| 1000 | 72 | ZZ F | 0.13 | 1.18 |
| 1250 | 76 | ZZ F | 0.15 | 1.73 |
| 1600 | 80 | ZZ F | 0.16 | 0.86 |
| 2000 | 81 | ZZ F | 0.14 | 0.90 |
| 2500 | 86 | ZZ F | 0.09 | 0.96 |
| 3150 | 92 | ZZAF | 0.58 | 1.74 |
| 4000 | 91 | ZZAAF | 0.30 | 2.80 |
| 5000 | 86 | ZAF | 0.16 | 2.43 |
| 6300 | 79 | ZAF | 0.12 | 1.96 |
| 8000 | 73 | Z F | 0.15 | 1.98 |
| 10000 | 65 | Z | 0.17 | 1.56 |
| 12500 | 59 | Z | 0.29 | 3.53 |



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APPENDIX B: Glossary of Standardized Corrections and Adjustments

Specimen: 8-Inch Concrete Slab with vinyl plank flooring, insulated dual-layer gypsum board ceiling on ClarkDietrich Sound ClipsTM (CDSC) (See Full Report)

Mark Interpretation

- A Measured sound pressure levels in the receive room are within 10 dB of the ambient noise level at the marked frequency band. Receive room levels used to calculate Transmission Loss are corrected according to ASTM E90 Section 10.3.
- Measured sound pressure levels in the receive room are within 5 dB of the ambient noise level at the marked frequency band. Receive room levels used to calculate Transmission Loss are corrected according to ASTM E90 Section 10.3.1. Transmission Loss values calculated from levels corrected this way will be less than or equal to Transmission Loss values from a hypothetical test using the same specimen and a receive room with idealized ambient sound levels of (-\infty) dB.
- F The reported Transmission Loss is within 10 dB of the laboratory flanking limit at the marked frequency band. The measured performance of the specimen may be limited by the performance of the laboratory building structure at this frequency band.
- Z The reported Transmission Loss at the marked frequency band has been corrected according to ASTM E90 Section A3.2.7 to account for possible sound transmission through the filler assembly.
- The reported Transmission Loss at the marked frequency band has been corrected according to ASTM E90 Section A3.2.8 to account for possible sound transmission through the filler assembly. Transmission Loss values corrected this way will be less than or equal to Transmission Loss values from a hypothetical test using the same specimen and an idealized filler assembly with a Sound Transmission Class rating of (∞) .

APPENDIX C: Glossary of Variability Metrics

Specimen: 8-Inch Concrete Slab with vinyl plank flooring, insulated dual-layer gypsum board ceiling on ClarkDietrich Sound ClipsTM (CDSC) (See Full Report)

ΔTL, the 95% confidence interval for reported transmission loss values, is calculated from the standard deviation of the sets of measurements for source room sound pressure level, receive room sound pressure level, and receive room sound absorption. This metric is calculated in an effort to quantify the combined influences of room geometry, microphone positioning, and other varying environmental conditions on reported results.

Repeatability, expressed as a 95% confidence interval, is calculated from the standard deviation of transmission loss as obtained from a set of six (6) consecutive tests conducted according to this test method by RAL on 2020-02-14. The tests were performed on a specimen composed of an insulated wood truss floor-ceiling assembly, using the same test opening as used in this report. This metric provides an estimate of the variation in results that might be observed if the test were repeated with no change to the installed specimen. Note that repeatability will vary with the construction type.



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APPENDIX D: Instruments of Traceability

Specimen: 8-Inch Concrete Slab with vinyl plank flooring, insulated dual-layer gypsum board ceiling on ClarkDietrich Sound ClipsTM (CDSC) (See Full Report)

| | | Serial | Date of | Calibration |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|
| Description | Model | Number | Certification | Due |
| System 2 | Type 3160-A-042 | 3160- 106974 | 2020-08-13 | 2021-08-13 |
| Bruel & Kjaer Mic And Preamp C | Type 4943-B-001 | 2311439 | 2020-04-07 | 2021-04-07 |
| Bruel & Kjaer Pistonphone | Type 4228 | 2781248 | 2020-08-12 | 2021-08-12 |
| EXTECH Hygro 662 | SD700 | A083662 | 2020-12-18 | 2021-12-18 |
| EXTECH Hygro 663 | SD700 | A083663 | 2020-12-18 | 2021-12-18 |

APPENDIX E: Revisions to Original Test Report

Specimen: 8-Inch Concrete Slab with vinyl plank flooring, insulated dual-layer gypsum board ceiling on ClarkDietrich Sound ClipsTM (CDSC) (See Full Report)

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Revision</u> |
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