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Some of the major modification points are listed as follows:

- a) [Annex A](#) has been changed from Informative to Normative;
- b) in [Table A.1](#), 0,048 (m/s²)² at 3 Hz, Slope between 3 Hz to 6 Hz, 1,154 (m/s²)² at 6 Hz to 18 Hz has been changed to 0,048 (m/s²)² at 2 Hz, Slope between 2 Hz to 4 Hz, 1,154 (m/s²)² at 4 Hz to 18 Hz;
- c) [Annex B](#) has been added.

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Introduction

A random vibration test is a more realistic method in reproducing environmental vibration during transportation than sinusoidal vibration test. For this reason, if suitable laboratory facilities are available, a vibration test is more preferable than any fixed or swept frequency sinusoidal vibration tests similar to those given in ISO 2247 and ISO 8318.

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Packaging — Complete, filled transport packages and unit loads — Vertical random vibration test

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method to carry out a vertical random vibration test on a complete, filled transport package(s) and unit loads using random excitation¹⁾. This document also provides methods for assessing the performance of a package in terms of its strength or the protection that it offers to its contents when it is subjected to vertical vibration. The test discussed in this document can be performed either as a single test to investigate the effects of vertical vibration, or as a part of a sequence of tests designed to measure the ability of a test specimen to withstand a distribution system that includes a vibration hazard.

NOTE In this International Standard, a package or unit load is referred to as test specimen.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 2206, *Packaging — Complete, filled transport packages — Identification of parts when testing*

ISO 2233, *Packaging — Complete, filled transport packages and unit loads — Conditioning for testing*

ISO 2234, *Packaging — Complete, filled transport packages and unit loads — Stacking tests using a static load*

3 Principle

The test specimen is placed on a vibration table and made to vibrate using random excitation with an effective frequency range for the test specimen. Atmospheric conditions, test duration, acceleration power spectral density, attitude of the test specimen and method of restraint are predetermined.

Specific requirements for mounting a test specimen on the vibrating platform are given in ISO 4180:2009, 10.7.1.

NOTE When required, a load is superimposed on the test specimen to simulate the conditions at the bottom of a stack.

4 Apparatus

4.1 Vibration table

A table of sufficient size and performance (in terms of power, displacement, frequency range) capable of being stiff (its lower resonant frequency shall be higher than the higher test frequency) and remaining horizontal during the test.

¹⁾ Random vibration theory is discussed in IEC 60068-2-64.