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Foreword

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Introduction

At the time of publication of this Technical Report, it was intended that ISO 8662-4, which deals with handheld grinders, be revised and harmonized with ISO 20643. The latter International Standard requires, among other provisions, that the vibration emission measurements be made in three directions, with the declared values related to the upper quartile of real-use vibration.

A round-robin test was made to gain an idea of the upper limits of real-use vibration and to establish a test method fulfilling the three-direction requirement. Four grinders of different sizes — both with, and without, auto-balancing units — were measured by seven laboratories. Measurements were made according to detailed test instructions. The laboratories were manufacturers and health and safety authorities in Europe.

Two methods were evaluated by the round-robin test: one using a redesigned unbalance disc and the other by grinding on mild steel using standard type 27 grinding wheels.

The result shows that the unbalance disc test method can be used for estimating the real-use vibration as long as the grinder is not fitted with an auto-balancing unit. If such a unit is fitted, the real-use vibration is underestimated by that method. Methods for estimating the real-use vibration level for grinders fitted with auto-balancing units are not discussed in this Technical Report.

A real grinding test is not suitable for obtaining a declared value, as the spread for this method is large. Furthermore, in order to obtain enough data to handle the large spread, the time consumption is unreasonably high.