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# SPECIFICATION FOR RADIO DISTURBANCE AND IMMUNITY MEASURING APPARATUS AND METHODS –

## Part 1-4: Radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus – Antennas and test sites for radiated disturbance measurements

### 1 Scope

This part of CISPR 16 specifies the characteristics and performance of equipment for the measurement of radiated disturbances in the frequency range 9 kHz to 18 GHz. Specifications for antennas and test sites are included.

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Methods of measurement are covered in Part 2-3, and further information on radio disturbance is given in Part 3 of CISPR 16. Uncertainties, statistics and limit modelling are covered in Part 4 of CISPR 16.

### 2 Normative references

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

CISPR 16-1-1, *Specification for radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus and methods – Part 1-1: Radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus – Measuring apparatus*

CISPR 16-1-5:2003, *Specification for radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus and methods – Part 1-5: Radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus – Antenna calibration test sites for 30 MHz to 1 000 MHz*

CISPR 16-2-3, *Specification for radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus and methods – Part 2-3: Methods of measurement of disturbances and immunity – Radiated disturbance measurements*

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### 3 Terms, definitions and abbreviations

For the purposes of this document, the following terms, definitions and abbreviations apply, as well as those of CISPR 16-1-1, CISPR 16-1-5, and IEC 60050-161.

#### 3.1 Terms and definitions

##### 3.1.1

##### **antenna**

that part of a transmitting or receiving system that is designed to radiate or to receive electromagnetic waves in a specified way

NOTE 1 In the context of this standard, the balun is a part of the antenna.

NOTE 2 This term covers various devices such as the wire antenna, free space-resonant dipole, hybrid antenna and horn antenna.

##### 3.1.2

##### **balun**

passive electrical network for the transformation from a balanced to an unbalanced transmission line or device or vice versa

##### 3.1.3

##### **calibration test site**

##### **CALTS**

open area test site with metallic ground plane and tightly specified site attenuation performance in horizontal and vertical *E*-field (electric field) polarization

NOTE 1 A CALTS is used for determining the free-space antenna factor of an antenna.

NOTE 2 Site attenuation measurements of a CALTS are used for comparison to corresponding site attenuation measurements of a compliance test site, in order to evaluate the performance of the compliance test site.

##### 3.1.4

##### **common mode absorption device**

##### **CMAD**

device that may be applied on cables leaving the test volume in radiated emission measurements to reduce the compliance uncertainty

##### 3.1.5

##### **compliance test site**

##### **COMTS**

environment that assures valid, repeatable measurement results of the disturbance field strength from equipment under test for comparison to a compliance limit

##### 3.1.6

##### **cross-polar response**

measure of the rejection by the antenna of the cross-polarized field, when the antenna is rotated in a linearly polarized electromagnetic field that is uniform in phase and amplitude over the aperture of the antenna under test

### 3.1.7 fully-anechoic room FAR

shielded enclosure, the internal surfaces of which are lined with radio-frequency-energy absorbing material (i.e. RF absorber) that absorbs electromagnetic energy in the frequency range of interest

### 3.1.8 free-space-resonant dipole

wire antenna consisting of two straight colinear conductors of equal length, placed end to end, separated by a small gap, with each conductor approximately a quarter-wavelength long such that at the specified frequency, the input impedance of the wire antenna measured across the gap is pure real when the dipole is located in the free space

NOTE 1 In the context of this standard, this wire antenna connected to the balun is also called the "test antenna".

NOTE 2 This wire antenna is also referred to as "tuned dipole".

### 3.1.9 hybrid antenna

conventional wire-element log-periodic dipole array (LPDA) antenna with boom lengthened at the open-circuit end to add one broadband dipole (e.g. biconical or bow-tie), such that the infinite balun (boom) of the LPDA serves as a voltage source for the broadband dipole

Typically a common-mode choke is used at this end of the boom to minimize parasitic (unintended) RF currents on the outer conductor of the coaxial cable flowing into the receiver.

### 3.1.10 insertion loss

loss arising from the insertion of a device into a transmission line, expressed as the ratio of voltages immediately before and after the point of insertion of a device under test, before and after the insertion

It is equal to the inverse of the transmission  $S$ -parameter,  $|1/S_{21}|$ .

### 3.1.11 low-uncertainty antenna

robust biconical or LPDA antenna that meets the balance and cross-polar performance requirements of this standard, and whose antenna factor has an uncertainty of less than  $\pm 0,5$  dB, used for the measurement of  $E$ -field strength at a defined point in space

NOTE It is further described in A.2.3.

### 3.1.12 quasi-free space test-site

facility for radiated emission measurements, or antenna calibration, that is intended to achieve free-space conditions

Unwanted reflections from the surroundings are kept to a minimum in order to satisfy the site acceptance criterion applicable to the radiated emission measurement or antenna calibration procedure being considered.

### 3.1.13 reflection coefficient

ratio of a common quantity to both the reflected and incident travelling waves

Hence, the voltage reflection coefficient is defined as the ratio of the complex voltage of the reflected wave to the complex voltage of the incident wave. The voltage reflection coefficient is equal to the scattering parameter  $S_{11}$ .

**3.1.14****scattering parameters (*S*-parameters)**

set of four parameters used to describe the properties of a two-port network inserted into a transmission line

**3.1.15****semi-anechoic chamber****SAC**

shielded enclosure, in which five of the six internal surfaces are lined with radio-frequency-energy absorbing material (i.e. RF absorber) that absorbs electromagnetic energy in the frequency range of interest, and the bottom horizontal surface is a conducting ground plane for use with OATS test set-ups

**3.1.16****short-open-load-through calibration method****SOLT**

through-open-short-match calibration method

**TOSM**

calibration method for a vector network analyzer using three known impedance standards – short, open, and match/load, and a single transmission standard – through

The SOLT method is widely used, and the necessary calibration kits with 50 Ω characteristic impedance components are commonly available. A full two-port error model includes six error terms for each of the forward and reverse directions, for a total of twelve separate error terms, and requires twelve reference measurements to perform the calibration.

**3.1.17****site attenuation**

minimum site insertion loss measured between two polarization-matched antennas located on a test site when one antenna is moved vertically over a specified height range and the other is set at a fixed height

**3.1.18****site insertion loss**

loss between a pair of antennas placed at specified positions on a test site, when a direct electrical connection between the generator output and receiver input is replaced by transmitting and receiving antennas placed at the specified positions

**3.1.19****test volume**

volume in the FAR in which the EUT is positioned

NOTE In this volume, the quasi-free space condition is met and this volume is typically 0,5 m or more from the absorbing material of the FAR.

**3.1.20****through-reflect-line (TRL) calibration**

calibration method for a vector network analyzer using three known impedance standards “through”, “reflect” and “line” for the internal or external calibration of the VNA

Four reference measurements are needed for this calibration.

**3.1.21****vector network analyzer****VNA**

network analyzer capable of measuring complex values of the four *S*-parameters  $S_{11}$ ,  $S_{12}$ ,  $S_{21}$ ,  $S_{22}$

### 3.2 Abbreviations

EUT	Equipment under test
FSOATS	Free-space OATS
LAS	Loop antenna system
LLA	Large-loop antenna
LPDA	Log-periodic dipole array
NSA	Normalised site attenuation
OATS	Open-area test site
SA	Site attenuation
SAC	Semi-anechoic chamber
$S_{VSWR}$	Site voltage standing wave ratio
VSWR	Voltage standing wave ratio

## 4 Antennas for measurement of radiated radio disturbance

### 4.1 General

Antennas of the type that are used for radiated emission measurements, having been calibrated, shall be used to measure the field strength, taking into account their radiation patterns and mutual coupling with their surroundings. The antenna and the circuits inserted between it and the measuring receiver shall not appreciably affect the overall characteristics of the measuring receiver. When the antenna is connected to the measuring receiver, the measuring system shall comply with the bandwidth requirements of CISPR 16-1-1 appropriate to the frequency band concerned.

The antenna shall be linearly polarized. It shall be orientable so that all polarizations of incident radiation can be measured. The height of the centre of the antenna above ground or above the absorber in a FAR may have to be adjustable according to a specific test procedure.

The accuracy of field-strength measurement of a uniform field of a sine-wave signal shall be better than  $\pm 3$  dB when an antenna meeting the requirements of this subclause is used with a measuring receiver meeting the requirements of CISPR 16-1-1.

NOTE This requirement does not include the effect due to a test site.

For additional information about the parameters of broadband antennas, see Annex A.

### 4.2 Physical parameter for radiated emission measurements

The physical parameter for radiated emission measurements made against an emission limit expressed in volts per metre is  $E$ -field measured at a defined point in space relative to the position of the equipment under test (EUT). More specifically, for measurements in the frequency range 30 MHz to 1 000 MHz on an OATS or in a SAC, the measurand is the maximum field strength as a function of horizontal and vertical polarization and at heights between 1 m and 4 m, and at a horizontal distance of 10 m from the EUT, while the EUT is rotated over all angles in the azimuth plane.