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## European foreword

This document (EN 16272-3-1:2023) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 256 “Railway application”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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This document supersedes EN 16272-3-1:2012.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are listed below:

- ISO/IEC Guide 98-3, ISO 12999-1 and ISO 12999-2 have been added to the References;
- The ‘Terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviations’ clause has been updated;
- In EN 16272-1, the method for determining sound absorption coefficients in each one-third octave band, as described in EN ISO 354, has been modified: the Sabine absorption coefficient  $\alpha_s$  has been replaced by a new absorption coefficient  $\alpha_{NRD}$  that is specific to noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation and which takes account of the volume of the test sample (the new coefficient  $\alpha_{NRD}$  might be derived from  $\alpha_s$ );
- Consequently, in this document the new absorption coefficient  $\alpha_{NRD}$  is used to calculate the single-number rating of sound absorption  $DL\alpha_{NRD}$ ;
- An annex with the values of the standard deviation of reproducibility and repeatability of single-number ratings has been added; this makes possible the declaration of the measurement uncertainty and the related confidence level, which is now mandatory (Annex C);
- The Bibliography has been added.

EN 16272-3-1 is part of a series and is intended to be read in conjunction with the other parts. All parts are listed in the following:

- EN 16272-1, *Railway applications — Infrastructure — Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation — Test method for determining the acoustic performance — Part 1: Intrinsic characteristics — Sound absorption under diffuse sound field conditions*
- EN 16272-2, *Railway applications — Infrastructure — Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation — Test method for determining the acoustic performance — Part 2: Intrinsic characteristics — Airborne sound insulation under diffuse sound field conditions*
- EN 16272-3-1, *Railway applications – Infrastructure — Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation — Test method for determining the acoustic performance — Part 3-1: Normalized railway noise spectrum and single number ratings for diffuse sound field applications (the present document)*

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- EN 16272-3-2, *Railway applications – Infrastructure — Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation — Test method for determining the acoustic performance — Part 3-2: Normalized railway noise spectrum and single number ratings for direct sound field applications*
- EN 16272-4, *Railway applications – Track — Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation — Test method for determining the acoustic performance — Part 4: Intrinsic characteristics — In situ values of sound diffraction under direct sound field conditions*
- EN 16272-5, *Railway applications – Infrastructure — Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation — Test method for determining the acoustic performance — Part 5: Intrinsic characteristics — Sound absorption under direct sound field conditions*
- EN 16272-6, *Railway applications – Infrastructure — Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation — Test method for determining the acoustic performance — Part 6: Intrinsic characteristics — Airborne sound insulation under direct sound field conditions*
- CEN/TS 16272-7, *Railway applications – Track — Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation — Test method for determining the acoustic performance — Part 7: Extrinsic characteristics — In situ values of insertion loss*

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## **Introduction**

This document is read in conjunction with EN 16272-1 and EN 16272-2 and is applied only to situations as described in those documents (diffuse sound field).

As the two main intrinsic acoustic characteristics of noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation in a diffuse sound field, sound absorption and airborne sound insulation, are frequency dependent, there is a need to define a reference railway noise spectrum for test purposes. This document defines the basic properties of railway noise measured at the rail track side in terms of a characteristic normalized railway noise spectrum, which is needed to evaluate single-number ratings of noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation in reverberant conditions, e.g. inside tunnels or deep trenches.

**EN 16272-3-1:2023 (E)****1 Scope**

This document specifies a normalized railway noise spectrum for the evaluation and assessment of the acoustic performance of devices designed to reduce airborne railway noise near railways.

All noise reducing devices different from noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation, e.g. devices for attenuation of ground borne vibration and on board devices are outside of the scope of this document.

**2 Normative references**

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

EN 16272-1, *Railway applications - Infrastructure - Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation - Test method for determining the acoustic performance - Part 1: Intrinsic characteristics - Sound absorption in the laboratory under diffuse sound field conditions*

EN 16272-2, *Railway applications - Infrastructure - Noise barriers and related devices acting on airborne sound propagation - Test method for determining the acoustic performance - Part 2: Intrinsic characteristics - Airborne sound insulation in the laboratory under diffuse sound field conditions*

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