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Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 126 "Acoustic properties of building products and of buildings", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by October 2000, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by October 2000.

It is the first version of a series of standards, specifying calculation models in Building Acoustics. Although the standard covers the main types of building construction it cannot as yet cover all variations in the construction of buildings. It sets out an approach for gaining experience for future improvements and developments.

During the preparation of this standard it became clear that some of the element data necessary based on standardized measurement methods are not yet available, hence some informative annexes have been added to explain what is needed, to indicate possible measurement methods and to illustrate this with some indicative acoustical data. These annexes should form the basis for new or revised standards for building elements, which would replace these annexes.

The accuracy of this standard can only be specified in detail after widespread comparisons with field data, which can only be gathered over a period of time after establishing the prediction model. To help the user in the mean time, indications of the accuracy have been given, based on earlier comparisons with comparable prediction models. It is the responsibility of the user (i.e. a person, an organisation, the authorities) to address the consequences of the accuracy, inherent for all measurement and prediction methods, by specifying requirements for the input data and/or applying a safety margin to the results or applying some other correction.

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