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1 Scope

This standard specifies a method of determining the ability of elements of connection to withstand sinusoidal or random vibrations of specified severities.

It shall be used together with EN 2591.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN 2591	Aerospace series - Elements of electrical and optical connection - Test methods - General
EN 2591-101	Aerospace series - Elements of electrical and optical connection - Test methods - Part 101: Visual examination
EN 2591-201	Aerospace series - Elements of electrical and optical connection - Test methods - Part 201: Contact resistance - Low level
EN 2591-202	Aerospace series - Elements of electrical and optical connection - Test methods - Part 202: Contact resistance at rated current
EN 2591-204	Aerospace series - Elements of electrical and optical connection - Test methods - Part 204: Discontinuity of contacts in the microsecond range
EN 2591-408	Aerospace series - Elements of electrical and optical connection - Test methods - Part 408: Mating and unmating forces ¹⁾

3 Preparation of specimens

3.1 Specimens shall be prepared according to the technical specification.

3.2 Unless specified in the technical specification, the following details shall be stated:

- mounting method, type of cable and definition of specimen wiring;
- specimens mated or unmated and fitted with protective covers (if applicable);
- number of mating and unmating operations (if applicable);
- type of accessories to be fitted on specimens;
- initial measurements and requirements, (if applicable);
- fixing points of sensors on specimens (if applicable);
- test severity:
 - 1) sinusoidal or random vibration curve (method A figure 1 or method B figure 2 or 3);
 - 2) temperature (maximum, minimum and ambient);
 - 3) duration;
- mating and unmating forces;
- applicable contact resistance test (EN 2591-201 or EN 2591-202);
- final measurements (if applicable).

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4 Apparatus

When the vibration apparatus is loaded with a mass equivalent to that of the specimens, the characteristics required for the test installation shall meet the requirements of methods A or B.

4.1 Sinusoidal vibration

4.1.1 Basic motion

It shall be sinusoidal and such that the fixing points of the specimens are moving substantially in phase, in straight parallel lines.

4.1.2 Transverse motion

The maximum vibration amplitude at the fixing points in any direction perpendicular to the intended direction (including any other motion) shall not exceed 25 % of the specified amplitude.

4.1.3 Distortion

The total harmonic factor at the fixing points of the specimens related to the specified basic driving amplitude shall not exceed 25 %. The value distortion rate shall be noted.

4.1.4 Vibration amplitude tolerances

The amplitude measured at the control point closest to the fixing points in the required direction shall not exceed the specified value by:

- ± 15 % in the frequency range where displacement amplitude is specified;
- ± 10 % in the frequency range where acceleration amplitude is specified.

4.1.5 Frequency tolerances

Measurement of frequency for determination of resonant frequencies shall be carried out with a tolerance of $\pm 0,5$ % or $\pm 0,5$ Hz, whichever is the greater.

4.1.6 Sweep method

The sweep shall be continuous and logarithmic and the sweep rate shall be approximately one octave per minute. For determination of resonant frequencies, the sweep may be temporarily stopped but any dwell time shall be considered in the test duration.

4.2 Random vibration

4.2.1 Power spectral density curves

The output of the vibration apparatus shall be presented graphically as power-spectral density in relation to the frequency. The power spectral density values shall be within the following limits:

- between 40 % and – 30 % ($\pm 1,5$ dB) of the specified value from lower-specified frequency up to 1 000 Hz;
- between 100 % and – 50 % (± 3 dB) of the specified value from 1 000 Hz up to the upper specified frequency.

Filter bandwidth shall be a maximum of 1/3 octave or preferably shall have a frequency of 25 Hz.

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