Laboratory Acoustical Test Report

FC22-0546R1

Impact Insulation Class and Sound Transmission Class

ASTM E492, E90

January 31, 2023

Test Assembly:

Urban Surfaces SoundTec SPC Flooring
5000 PSI Concrete Slab
Armstrong HD8906
Armstrong XL8945P
Johns Manville Unfaced R-13
National Gypsum Gold Bond® Fire-Shield® Type X

IIC-64
HIIC-69
LIIC-69
STC-61

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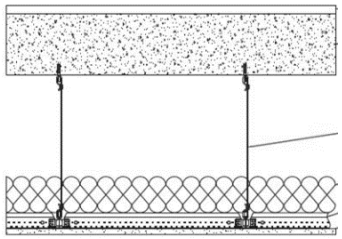
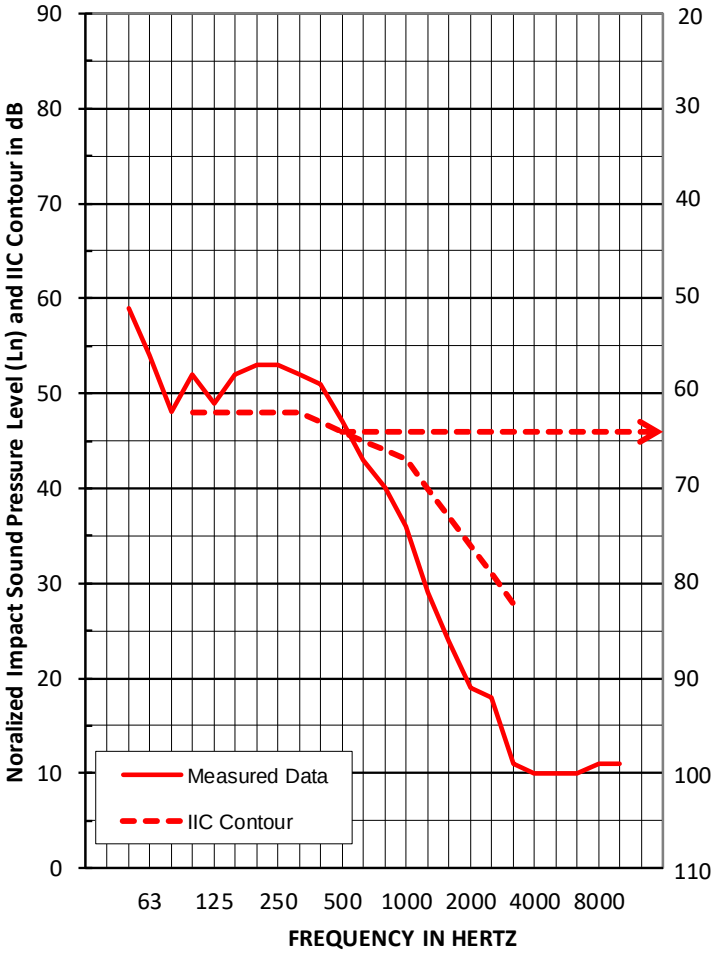
Impact Insulation Class Test FC22-0546: IIC 64



Finish Flooring	6 mm Urban Surfaces SoundTec SPC Flooring
Assembly Type	152.4 mm 5000 PSI Concrete Slab
Drywall Main Beam	43 mm Armstrong HD8906
Cross Tee	37.3 mm Armstrong XL8945P
Fiberglass Insulation	88.9 mm Johns Manville Unfaced R-13
Gypsum Panel	15.9 mm National Gypsum Gold Bond® Fire-Shield® Type X

Test Date:	September 19, 2022	
Construction Date:	September 19, 2022	
Test Specimen Area:	11	sq.m.
Receiving Room Volume:	156	cu.m.
Receiving RoomTemperature:	21.4-21.6	degrees C
Receiving Room Relative Humidity:	58-59	percent



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80	1.5	48
100	0.7	52
125	1.0	49
160	1.2	52
200	0.7	53
250	1.0	53
315	0.7	52
400	0.5	51
500	0.6	47
630	0.4	43
800	0.4	40
1000	0.4	36
1250	0.3	29
1600	0.3	24
2000	0.5	19
2500	0.8	18
3150	1.0	11
4000	0.7	10
5000	0.8	10
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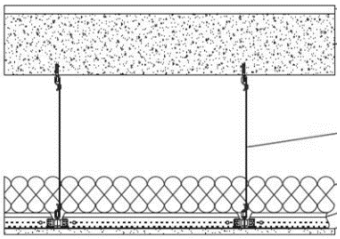
Background Affected

High-frequency Impact Insulation Class Test FC22-0546: HIIC 69



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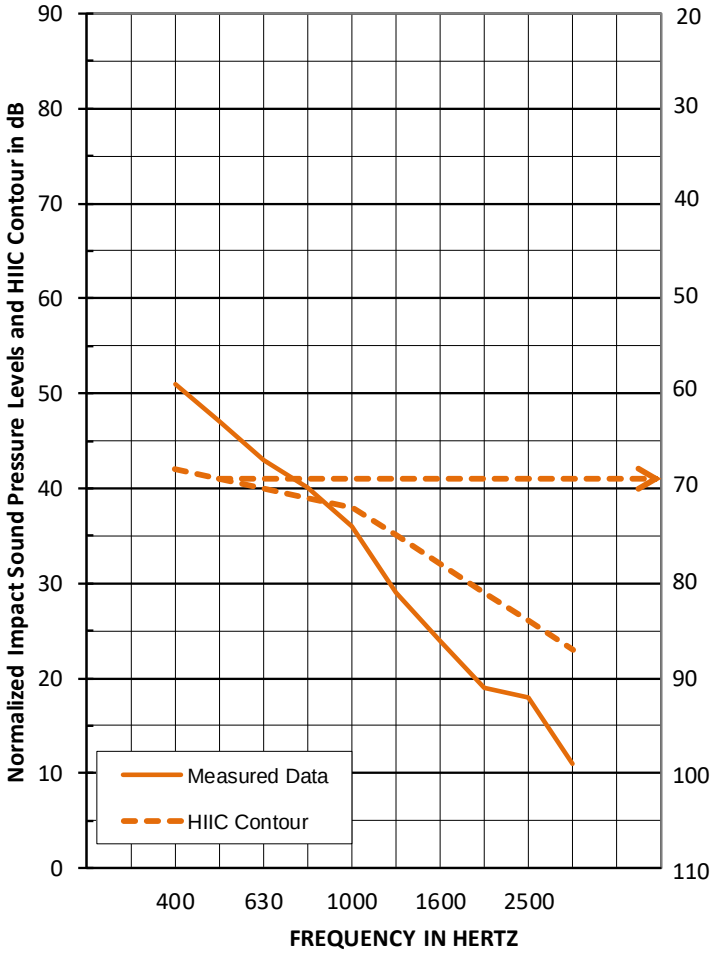
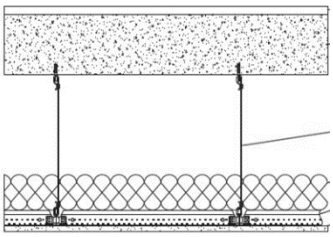
Construction Date:	September 19, 2022	
Test Specimen Area:	11	sq.m.
Receiving Room Volume:	156	cu.m.
Receiving RoomTemperature:	21.4-21.6	degrees C
Receiving Room Relative Humidity:	58-59	percent



Freq	95% Confidence Limit	Ln
400	0.5	51
500	0.6	47
630	0.4	43
800	0.4	40
1000	0.4	36
1250	0.3	29
1600	0.3	24
2000	0.5	19
2500	0.8	18
3150	1.0	11

Background Affected

Sound Transmission Class Test FC22-0546: STC 61



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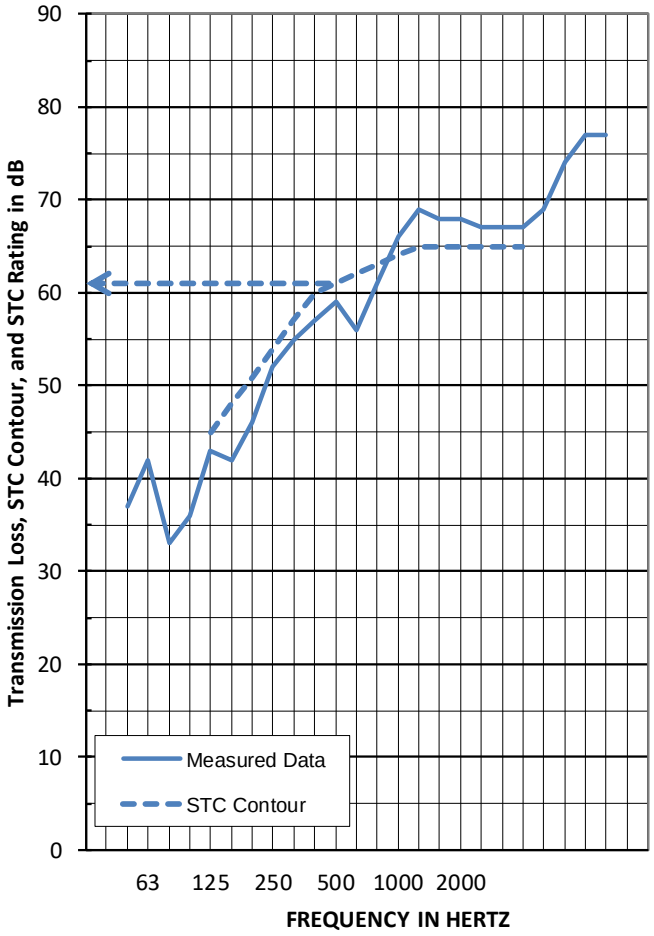
Test Date:	September 19, 2022	
Construction Date:	September 19, 2022	
Test Specimen Area:	11	sq.m.
Source/Receiving Room Volume:	190/156	cu.m.
Source/Receiving Room Temperature:	21.5/18.1	degrees C
Source/Receiving Room Relative Humidity:	58/58	percent



Freq	TL
50	**37**
63	**42**
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100	**36**
125	**43**
160	**42**
200	**46**
250	**52**
315	**55**
400	**57**
500	59
630	56
800	61
1000	66
1250	**69**
1600	68
2000	68
2500	67
3150	67
4000	67
5000	69
6300	74
8000	77
10000	77

Background Affected

Flanking Affected

Background and Flanking Affected

1.0 TEST PROCEDURES

1.1 Impact Insulation Tests

All tests were conducted in accordance with ASTM E492, "Standard Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Impact Sound Transmission through Floor-Ceiling Assemblies Using the Tapping Machine." The IIC is a single-number rating derived from the Impact Sound Pressure Level in accordance with ASTM E989, "Standard Classification for Determination of Impact Insulation Class (IIC)." Results are presented above.

95% confidence intervals represent uncertainty for microphone averaging, not tapping positions.

1.2 High-frequency Impact Insulation Class Tests

The HIIC is the High-frequency Impact Insulation Class and is meant to assess the high-frequency impact noise on a floor-ceiling assembly. The higher the value, the better the floor, meaning less noise from high-frequency impacts in the space below.

All tests were conducted in accordance with the requirements of ASTM E492, "Standard Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Impact Sound Transmission through Floor-Ceiling Assemblies Using the Tapping Machine," using ASTM E3222 "Standard Classification for Determination of High-frequency Impact Sound Ratings" to calculate the High-frequency Impact Insulation Class (HIIC). Results are presented above.

1.3 Low-frequency Impact Insulation Class Tests

The LIIC is the Low-frequency Impact Insulation Class and is meant to assess the low-frequency impact noise on a floor-ceiling assembly. The higher the value, the better the floor, meaning less noise from low-frequency impacts in the space below.

All tests were conducted in accordance with the requirements of ASTM E492, "Standard Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Impact Sound Transmission through Floor-Ceiling Assemblies Using the Tapping Machine," using ASTM E3207 "Standard Classification for Determination of Low-frequency Impact Noise Ratings" to calculate the Low-frequency Impact Insulation Class (LIIC).

Measured result is LIIC-69.

1.4 Transmission Loss Tests

All tests were conducted in accordance with ASTM E90, "Standard Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Airborne Sound Transmission Loss of Building Partitions," using the single-direction method. STC is a single-number rating derived from measured values of Sound Transmission Loss through a test specimen in accordance with ASTM E413, "Classification for Rating Sound Insulation." Results are presented above.

2.0 TEST ASSEMBLY

2.1 Assembly Description

The test assembly consists of:

- Urban Surfaces SoundTec SPC Flooring, Finish Flooring;
- 5000 PSI Concrete Slab, Concrete Slab;
- Armstrong HD8906, Drywall Main Beam;
- Armstrong XL8945, Cross Tee;
- Johns Manville Unfaced R-13, Fiberglass Insulation;
- National Gypsum Gold Bond® Fire-Shield® Type X, Gypsum panel;

Total mass of the floor-ceiling assembly was 4274.2 kg, having an area density of 358.14 kg/m^2).

Product/Element	Thickness	Dimensions	Area	Area Density
Urban Surfaces SoundTec	6 mm	1219 mm x 178 mm	10.98 m^2	9.41 kg/m^2
Concrete Slab	152.4 mm	3023 mm x 3632 mm	10.98 m^2	336.18 kg/m^2
Drywall Main Beam	43 mm	38 mm x 2870 mm	10.9 lin m	0.45 kg/m
Cross Tee	37.3 mm	38 mm x 1219 mm	27.2 lin m	0.45 kg/m
Fiberglass Insulation	89 mm	610 mm x 2438 mm	10.98 m^2	1.32 kg/m^2
Gypsum panel	15.9 mm	3023 mm x 1219 mm	10.56 m^2	11.23 kg/m^2

2.2 Installation

The materials were installed in the following manner:

- Urban Surfaces SoundTec SPC Flooring: Loose laid
- Concrete Slab: Installed in a test frame flush to the source room. Mats of #5 reinforcing bars were placed 25.4 mm from both the top and bottom of the slab, with bars spaced on 305 mm centers in both directions. No noticeable shrinkage or cracking was visible on the specimen.
- Drywall Main Beam: Twelve gauge hanger wires were attached to the bottom side of the concrete at twelve locations and then to the main beams. The hanger wire was twisted around itself a minimum of three times within 76 mm creating a 305 mm plenum. The measured steel thickness was 0.5 mm.
- Cross Tee: Inserted into the main beams on 610 mm centers. The measured steel thickness was 0.5 mm
- Fiberglass Insulation: Loose laid onto the ceiling grid system
- Gypsum Panel: Fastened with 25.4 mm (1") fine thread drywall screws on 305 mm centers. Seams and perimeter sealed with Pecora AC-20® Acoustical Sealant and covered with pressure-sensitive tape.

The assembly was constructed on September 19, 2022.

3.0 TESTING PROTOCOL

This report summarizes laboratory acoustical testing contracted by Veneklasen to be completed for Veneklasen Associates on 6.0 mm Urban Surfaces SoundTec SPC Flooring. The scope of the acoustical testing is for Impact Insulation Class (IIC), High-frequency Impact Insulation Class (HIIC), Low-frequency Impact Insulation Class (LIIC) and Sound Transmission Class (STC), in accordance with ASTM standards E492, E90.

The tests were conducted on September 19, 2022. Details of the tests are contained in this report. Testing was completed in strict accordance with the following standards:

- ASTM E90, "Standard Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Airborne Sound Transmission Loss of Building Partitions"
- ASTM E413, “Classification for Rating Sound Insulation”
- ASTM E492, "Standard Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Impact Sound Transmission through Floor-Ceiling Assemblies Using the Tapping Machine”
- ASTM E989, “Standard Classification for Determination of Impact Insulation Class (IIC)”
- ASTM E2235, “Standard Test Method for Determination of Decay Rates for Use in Sound Insulation Test Methods”
- ASTM E3207, “Standard Classification for Determination of Low-frequency Impact Noise Ratings.”
- ASTM E3222, “Standard Classification for Determination of High-frequency Impact Sound Ratings.”

3.1 Equipment

Equipment list and information associated with this test, including calibration information, is included in the Appendix.

3.2 Accreditation and Reporting

Report must be distributed in its entirety except with written authorization from Veneklasen Associates. Test was conducted at IAS-accredited test facility; the full report is available upon request. Detailed test procedures, data for flanking limit tests, repeatability measurements, and reference specimen tests are available on request.

Veneklasen Associates provides no warranties, expressed or implied, regarding the structural integrity or fitness of these assemblies for a specific installation. Any advertising which utilizes this test report or test data must not imply product certification or endorsement by Veneklasen Associates, NVLAP, NIST or the U.S. Government.

Sincerely,
Veneklasen Associates, Inc.

John LoVerde, *FASA*
Principal

APPENDIX

Test Equipment and Photos

Instrument	Manufacturer	Model	Description	Serial Number	Calibration Date
2-Channel Analog Input	National Instruments	NI 9250	2-Channel Analog Input	INT02586	04/22
2-Channel Analog Input	National Instruments	NI 9250	2-Channel Analog Input	INT02587	04/22
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Microphone Calibrator	Norsonic	34093	Acoustical Calibrator	65105	10/21
Receive Room Microphone	PCB Piezotronics	378C20	Microphone and Preamplifier	63741	06/22
Receive Room Microphone	PCB Piezotronics	378B20	Microphone and Preamplifier	63740	04/22
Receive Room Microphone	PCB Piezotronics	378B20	Microphone and Preamplifier	64340	10/21
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Receive Room Environmental Indicator	Comet	T7510	Temperature and Humidity Transmitter	63810 63811	10/21 10/21
Source Room Microphone	PCB Piezotronics	378C20	Microphone and Preamplifier	65103	02/22
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Source Room Microphone	PCB Electronics	378C20	Microphone and Preamplifier	64906	04/22
Source room environmental indicator	Comet	T7510	Temperature and humidity transmitter	63812	10/21
Tapping Machine	Norsonic	Nor277	Tapping Machine	INT00936	02/22
Test Chamber Receive Room Volume			155.77 m^3 (5500.85 ft^3)		
Test Chamber Source Room Volume			190 m^3 (6709.79 ft^3)		

Photo 1: View of Source Chamber, finish flooring installation observed

Photo 2: View of Receive Chamber, bottom of ceiling observed