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be made at each and every test noise measurement point at its symmetrical position on the opposite side of the runway. The measurement points are considered to be symmetrical if they are longitudinally within 33 feet (±10 meters) of each other.

Section B36.5 Maximum Noise Levels

Except as provided in section B36.6 of this appendix, maximum noise levels, when determined in accordance with the noise evaluation methods of appendix A of this part, may not exceed the following:

- (a) For acoustical changes to Stage 1 airplanes, regardless of the number of engines, the noise levels prescribed under §36.7(c) of this part.
- (b) For any Stage 2 airplane regardless of the number of engines:
- (1) Flyover: 108 EPNdB for maximum weight of 600,000 pounds or more; for each halving of maximum weight (from 600,000 pounds), reduce the limit by 5 EPNdB; the limit is 93 EPNdB for a maximum weight of 75,000 pounds or less.
- (2) Lateral and approach: 108 EPNdB for maximum weight of 600,000 pounds or more; for each halving of maximum weight (from 600,000 pounds), reduce the limit by 2 EPNdB; the limit is 102 EPNdB for a maximum weight of 75,000 pounds or less.
 - (c) For any Stage 3 airplane:
 - (1) Flyover.
- (i) For airplanes with more than 3 engines: 106 EPNdB for maximum weight of 850,000 pounds or more; for each halving of maximum weight (from 850,000 pounds), reduce the limit by 4 EPNdB; the limit is 89 EPNdB for a maximum weight of 44,673 pounds or less:
- (ii) For airplanes with 3 engines: 104 EPNdB for maximum weight of 850,000 pounds or more; for each halving of maximum weight (from 850,000 pounds), reduce the limit by 4 EPNdB; the limit is 89 EPNdB for a maximum weight of 63,177 pounds or less; and
- (iii) For airplanes with fewer than 3 engines: 101 EPNdB for maximum weight of 850,000 pounds or more; for each halving of maximum weight (from 850,000 pounds), reduce the limit by 4 EPNdB; the limit is 89 EPNdB for a maximum weight of 106,250 pounds or less.
- (2) Lateral, regardless of the number of engines: 103 EPNdB for maximum weight of 882,000 pounds or more; for each halving of maximum weight (from 882,000 pounds), reduce the limit by 2.56 EPNdB; the limit is 94 EPNdB for a maximum weight of 77,200 pounds or less.
- (3) Approach, regardless of the number of engines: 105 EPNdB for maximum weight of 617,300 pounds or more; for each halving of maximum weight (from 617,300 pounds), reduce the limit by 2.33 EPNdB; the limit is 98

EPNdB for a maximum weight of 77,200 pounds or less.

- (d) For any Stage 4 airplane, the flyover, lateral, and approach maximum noise levels are prescribed in Chapter 4, Paragraph 4.4, Maximum Noise Levels, and Chapter 3, Paragraph 3.4, Maximum Noise Levels, of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Annex 16, Environmental Protection, Volume I, Aircraft Noise, Third Edition, July 1993, Amendment 7, effective March 21, 2002. [Incorporated by reference, see §36.6].
- (e) For any Stage 5 airplane, the flyover, lateral, and approach maximum noise levels are prescribed in Chapter 14, Paragraph 14.4, Maximum Noise Levels of ICAO Annex 16, Volume I, Amendment 11–B (Incorporated by reference, see § 36.6).

Section B36.6 Trade-Offs

Except when prohibited by sections 36.7(c)(1) and 36.7(d)(1)(ii), if the maximum noise levels are exceeded at any one or two measurement points, the following conditions must be met:

- (a) The sum of the exceedance(s) may not be greater than 3 EPNdB;
- (b) Any exceedance at any single point may not be greater than 2 EPNdB, and
- (c) Any exceedance(s) must be offset by a corresponding amount at another point or points

Section B36.7 Noise Certification Reference Procedures and Conditions

- (a) General conditions:
- (1) All reference procedures must meet the requirements of section 36.3 of this part.
- (2) Calculations of airplane performance and flight path must be made using the reference procedures and must be approved by the FAA
- (3) Applicants must use the takeoff and approach reference procedures prescribed in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section.
 - (4) [Reserved]
- (5) The reference procedures must be determined for the following reference conditions. The reference atmosphere is homogeneous in terms of temperature and relative humidity when used for the calculation of atmospheric absorption coefficients.
- (i) Sea level atmospheric pressure of 2116 pounds per square foot (psf) (1013.25 hPa);
- (ii) Ambient sea-level air temperature of 77 °F (25 °C, *i.e.*, ISA + 10 °C);
- (iii) Relative humidity of 70 per cent;
- (iv) Zero wind.
- (v) In defining the reference takeoff flight path(s) for the takeoff and lateral noise measurements, the runway gradient is zero.
- (b) Takeoff reference procedure:
- The takeoff reference flight path is to be calculated using the following:
- (1) Average engine takeoff thrust or power must be used from the start of takeoff to the