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Characteristics to be Specified for Seismic Transducers**

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ABSTRACT

This standard specifies the characteristics of a seismic transducer (pickup) which can serve as an adequate description of the capabilities of the pickup to perform a shock or vibration measurement in various environments. It is intended as a guide to instrument manufacturers for indicating the characteristics of their transducers that are critical in specifying, selecting, or preparing performance description by users. This standard is the national counterpart of ISO 8042-1988 Shock and Vibration Measurements—Characteristics to be Specified for Seismic Pick-Ups.

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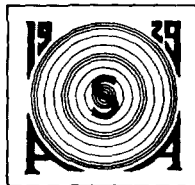
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