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AAMA Updates Document Addressing the Acoustical Rating of Windows, Doors and Glazed Wall Sections

SCHAUMBURG, Ill. – AAMA 1801-08, a voluntary specification for acoustical testing, has been released by the American Architectural Manufacturers Association (AAMA). According to Ken Brenden, AAMA technical standards manager, the revamped eight-page document, first published in 1995 and titled *Voluntary Specification for the Acoustical Rating of Windows, Doors and Glazed Wall Sections*, includes several updates.

The test specification describes the sound transmission loss measurement procedure for windows, doors and glazed wall sections.

“In addition to various editorial changes, the most significant changes were the addition of new sections 6.0, *Test Specimen Installation* and 7.0, *Conditioning*,” states Brenden. “New sub-sections under *Test Reports* were also added addressing the verification of the manufacturer’s statement, filler wall transmission loss and items to include in the detailed description of the glazing material.”

In addition, a reference to ASTM E 90 *Standard Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Airborne Sound Transmission Loss of Building Partitions and Elements* was added, as well as a diagram detailing test specimen installation, according to Brenden.

The *Voluntary Specification for the Acoustical Rating of Windows, Doors and Glazed Wall Sections* is available to members at a cost of \$10 for download, \$20 for paper copy and \$25 for CD. Non-members may purchase the document at a cost of \$25 for download, \$50 for paper copy and \$55 for CD. To order AAMA 1801-08, visit the AAMA Online Publication Store at www.aamanet.org; call 847-303-5664; or write the American Architectural Manufacturers Association, 1827 Walden Office Square, Suite 550, Schaumburg, IL 60173.

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