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EARTH-MOVING MACHINERY—
TESTS AND MEASUREMENTS

Part 6—OPERATOR SEAT—
TRANSMITTED
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FOREWORD


2. Introduction to and complete listing of the SAA series of earth-moving machinery Standards (AS 2951 to AS 2958) is available on request.

3. Error.

   Clause 3. Title of ISO 5353 incorrect. Should read: ‘Earth-moving machinery and tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry—Seat index point’.

4. For the purpose of this Australian Standard the words ‘International Standard’ should be replaced by ‘Australian Standard’.

5. ISO Standards referred to in this Standard correspond with the following Australian Standards:

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6. IRIG 106 is also referred to in this Standard but has no corresponding Australian Standard at time of publication.
Earth-moving machinery—Tests and measurements
Part 6—Operator seat—Transmitted vibration

1 Scope
This International Standard specifies a method for the measurement, evaluation and acceptance level of the whole body vibration transmitted through the seat to the operator during laboratory simulated machine vertical vibration.

2 Field of application
This International Standard is applicable to seats fitted to earthmoving machines within specified machine classes, each class defined as a group of machines having similar vibration characteristics. See table 2.

3 References
ISO 2041, Vibration and shock — Vocabulary.
ISO 2631, Guide for the evaluation of human exposure to whole-body vibration.
ISO 4865, Analog analysis and presentation of vibration and shock data.
ISO 5353, Earth-moving machinery — Seat index point.
ISO 6165, Earth-moving machinery — Basic types — Vocabulary.
IEC Publication 225, Octave, half-octave and third-octave band filters intended for the analysis of sounds and vibrations.
IRIG Document 106, Inter Range Instrumentation Group, Magnetic tape recorder, reproducer standards.

4 General
The laboratory simulated machine vertical vibration, specified as the test input to the operator seat, is based on representative measured data from machines in typical hard working conditions. The test input for a machine class is a representative envelope for the machines within the class, therefore the laboratory test is more severe than the typical vibration environment of any specific machine.

The specification of procedures, instruments and evaluation methods allows the measurements to be made and reported with an acceptable precision.

The vibration is evaluated in accordance with ISO 2631. The procedure includes means of weighting the vibration level at different frequencies to account for the frequency sensitivity of the human operator.

NOTE — The vibration felt by the operator’s feet on the platform or control pedals or by his hands on the steering wheel or control levers is not evaluated in this International Standard.

5 Definitions
The terminology used in this International Standard is generally in accordance with ISO 2041. Additional definitions applicable to this International Standard are given below.

5.1 whole body vibration: Vibration trans-mitted to the body as a whole through the buttocks of a seated operator.

5.2 operator seat: That portion of the machine provided for the purpose of supporting the buttocks of the seated operator, including the seat suspension system.

5.3 frequency analysis: Process of arriving at a quantitative description of the amplitude of a vibration as a function of frequency.

5.4 measuring period: The time duration in which vibration data for analysis is obtained.