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Standard Method of Measurement for In-Home Loudspeakers

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CEA-2034 (Draft) Scope

- CEA-2034 **describes** how to **indicate the direction** at which sound **emanates** from a loudspeaker, whether it stands by itself or is mounted in or on a wall or ceiling.
- It is intended to **determine the audio performance** of a loudspeaker, not the loudspeaker's ability to survive a given input signal.
- This standard **applies only to loudspeaker systems**, and not to raw transducers.

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- Purpose

To describe an improved method for measuring and reporting the performance of a loudspeaker in a manner that should help consumers better understand the performance of the loudspeaker

  - **Standardize measurement**
  - **Specify reporting**
  - **Improve consumer understanding**

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- Improvement over previous standards
  - standard describes how to **indicate the direction at which sounds spread out** from a loudspeaker after being created by the loudspeaker, whether the loudspeaker stands by itself or is mounted in or on a wall or ceiling.
  - It also describes how to use this directivity data to **estimate the in-room frequency response** that more recent research has shown correlates well to subjective listening preferences of consumers.

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- What it does
  - Describes how to measure and report the **maximum on-axis usable sound pressure level** of a loudspeaker
  - Describes how to measure and report the **impedance** of a loudspeaker
  - Describes how to calculate and report the **size of the power amplifier needed** for the consumer to get the desired sound pressure level (SPL) from the loudspeaker

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- Informational annexes
  - CEA-2034 includes a number of informational annexes to help readers gain a more thorough understanding of **techniques for acquiring loudspeaker data in both anechoic and non-anechoic environments**, as well as methods for using this acquired data to **predict loudspeaker performance**.

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- Schedule and Logistics
  - Document is **open for comments** within CEA
  - Following comment resolution, a **30-day email ballot** will be issued. At this time, the document will also begin **45-day ANSI Public Review period**.
  - Anticipated ANSI/CEA publication date is **late-July 2013**.

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- Next Steps

Upon completion of the CEA process, the document will be submitted to IEC TC100 through the USNC for international consideration.

Likely target: TA11

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