

ASA S12 Committee on Noise
Working Group (WG) 47 – Underwater Noise Measurement of Ships

Ninth Meeting June 18, 2009
Via WEBEX
MINUTES

The below minutes were prepared by Chair, Michael Bahtiarian the agenda is on the last page of the minutes. The meeting was attended by Mike Jech, Christ de Jong, and Al Kukk.

1. The Chair summarized the meeting in Portland, OR which was during the ASA Conference. Seven people were present, three being committee members. Meeting discussed comments from ASA S-12 committee. For further details see minutes for that meeting.
2. The Chair reviewed ASA S-12 Committee comments and his proposed responses to each comment. These materials have been sent to all members in form of a table with subject paragraph, the comment and the Chair's proposed responses. There were no issues with the comments during the meeting or any emails received prior or after the meeting regarding the proposed changes.
3. The Chair reviewed substantive comments during the meeting. There were no comments or issues on the changes he has proposed and made to Rev 12 of the document.

There was one comment from Christ de Jong regarding Figures 1, 2, & 3. Mr. de Jong reminded the Chair that someone had suggested that the bottom in Figures 1 & 2 be removed as if diagram were to scale the bottom would not be so close to the bottom anchor for Grades A or B. Chair agreed that he had forgotten that comment was previously made and will change the two diagrams. Further, Figure 3 will also have to be changed. In this case it is important to show the bottom, so the changes will be to use breaks to indicate the cables lengths are not to scale and also add a note to the figure caption, stating diagram is not to scale and see Section 5.2 and 5.4 for more information.

4. The Chair stated that there were now four areas of further work which includes: (1) application guide, (2) Narrowband Measurements, (3) Shallow water measurements, (4) underwater measurements in ice. Chair asked if anyone would be interested in heading up sub-committees for these efforts. None in the meeting were interested. The chair knows of a few individuals that could head the sub-committee for the Application Guide and for Shallow Water. He will ask them separately. It was noted that Shallow Water would have particular interest from European members of the committee.

Rev 12 will be finalized and sent around the WG-47 and S-12 committee for final review and approval. The Chair thought this would take about two weeks. Further the Chair thinks the standard would be approved and out on the street before the end of the summer.

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AGENDA

5. Summary of WG-47 Meeting in Portland (minutes already sent).
6. Review of ASA S-12 Committee Comments and my proposed response to each (materials already sent).
7. Final review, comment and finalization of the proposed Revision 12 (copy already sent)
8. Discussion next steps regarding other sections such as:
 - a. Application Guide
 - b. Narrowband Measurements
 - c. Shallow Water Measurements
 - d. Inquiry from USCG about Arctic underwater noise measurements