



Wind Tunnel Method (OIT #10 and #18)

Requirements for the flatbelt



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Flatbelt Dynamometer



- Realistic measurements of the whole mechanical drag of a car under defined climate terms and conditions.
- To receive the complete road load of the car, the aerodynamic drag is added to the mechanical drag from the flatbelt.

$$F_{vehicle} = F_{mechanical} + F_{air}$$

- $\mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{air}}$
- calculated from wind tunnel
 Measurement

F_{mechanical} = measured on flatbelt

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Explanation of the Measuring Principle



- Each belt unit is mounted drag free against the environment by air bearings.
- The reaction forces of the car is measured over the whole unit against the environment.

Requirements:

- \rightarrow Only the reaction force for rotating the wheels shall be measured
- No external forces shall be included in the result (e.g. air force of the cooling fan, vehicle restraints, aerodynamic reaction forces of the flatbelt, etc.)
 Only exception: Wind tunnel facilities with integrated flatbelts for measuring running resistance. Here, the

measurement of the whole road load by one test is possible (these facilities do not exist today).

→ The measurement shall be done in the same conditions like on the road (engine on, idling speed, neutral gear "N")



Explanation of the Measuring Principle



Requirement:

- \rightarrow Brake conditioning: See description for the coast down on the road (see 4.2.4.1.1.).
- → Vehicle warm up:
 - a) See description for the coast down on the road (active driving, see 4.2.4.1).
 - b) On manufacture's request: By driving the flatbelt with the vehicle installed at [110] per cent of the maximum speed of the applicable WLTC for at least 1200 s until the change of measured force over a period of 200 s is smaller than [5 N] (see step 1).
- Force measuring (see step 2): stepping down at constant speed with [Δv =10km/h] for at least [10 s].
 After a stabilization of [4 s], measure the average force at the constant reference speed for at least [6 s].



Calculating Road Load Coefficients





Requirement:

- \rightarrow Measuring cd x A in wind tunnel as defined in 6.4.
- \rightarrow Calculate the aerodynamic force (see 6.7.2.)
- → Adding the aerodynamic force by calculation to the measured force from the flat belt to receive the total road load of the car
- → Calculate the road load coefficients f₀, f₁, f₂ with a least squares regression analysis and use these parameters as target coefficients in paragraph 8.1.1.

