Japan Proposals for Technical Requirements on Sonars

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1. Basic Ideas for Developing Technical Requirements on Sonars under GRSG
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1. Basic Ideas for Developing Technical Requirements on Sonars under GRSG

- ISO 17386 (MALSO(*)) is a technical requirements on sonar system.

- As ISO 17386 is aimed for assisting driver to understand the distance to various objects, such as wall, thin pole, luggage carrier of truck, etc. in parking scene, some modification is necessary for the purpose of VRUs detection.

- Our proposal is to make new requirement based for the purpose of VRUs detection by modifying ISO 17386.

*: MALSO: Maneuvering Aids for Low Speed Operation
Outline of ISO 17386

- Requirements on sonars and other sensing technologies

- Detection areas: Front, rear, corner
  - Requirements specified for each area (detection area, response time, etc.)

- Main rearward detection requirements
  - Detection area: 1 m max. in the rear
  - Detection area requirement: The area shall be divided into 0.1 x 0.1 m grids and a target (φ75 mm, H 1000 mm) shall be located there. Testing shall determine whether or not each grid can be detected.
  - Detection latency: The detection latency standard for when the target appears within the area is also specified.

Reference: ISO 17386 MALSO

Detection areas

Image of a test in the rear horizontal area

Vehicle

Front

Corner

Rear

Target

0.6 m

1 m
# 2. Proposals for Technical Requirements on Sonars

Modification points of ISO17386 for the purpose of VRUs detection

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2.1. Detection Latency Test Procedures

(1) ISO 17386

- The target is dropped from a height of 1 m and the response time is measured (video camera image ↔ audible warning).
- A situation where the detection target is landing from above is unrealistic for VRUs detection.
(2) Proposal for the response time measurement

- The system response time should be measured with the time duration from selecting the reverse gear to the warning activation for a stationary target placed in valuation area.

![Diagram of the system components]

**Audible warning system**
- Gearshift
- Recording
- Target having been placed within the area in advance

**Video camera**
- Filming the gearshift lever operation and recording the audible warning

**Microphone**
- Detection area
2.2. Minimum Coverage Ratios

(1) ISO17386
- ISO’s requirement “there shall be no more than two contiguous detection holes”\(^{(1)}\) is to avoid property damage by thin object such as pole.

(2) Proposal for minimum coverage
- It is sufficient if the target covers grids equivalent to the size of a person for VRUs detection.
- Change to “no more than 2 x 2 undetected grids” which considered as equivalent to the size of a pedestrian.

\[^{(1)}\]: Within the whole monitoring range, there shall be no more than two contiguous detection holes in a straight line, either horizontally, vertically or diagonally in the horizontal plane.

\[^{(2)}\]: VRU-Proxi-02-03
2.3. Vertical Range Requirement

(1) ISO 17386
• Vertical range requirement (see below) is defined to avoid property damage by various object, such as luggage carrier of truck.

(2) Proposal
• Delete vertical range test

[Diagram showing target in proposed field of vision requirement (H 1000 mm)]
Supplementary Information
Reference: Reversing Speed Models Studied by ISO

Speed (m/s)

Distance to the object (m)

Simplified model of speeds used by the driver

Speed at which the vehicle is 1 m from the object in the rear

Model of speeds used by the driver

Source: The Commentary section of “JIS D 0803 : 0000 (ISO 17386 : 2010) Transport information and control systems - Manoeuvring Aids for Low Speed Operation (MALSO) - Performance requirements and test procedures”