

# Neck Qualification - Neck Frontal Flexion V1.3

This document describes the requirements for the data set preparation for the Neck Qualification - Neck Frontal Flexion according to THOR-50M Qualification Procedures and Requirements April 2023, NHTSA.

## 1 Data Organization

The data set has to be delivered in ISO MME 1.6 format given by ISO/TS 13499 (respectively ISO MME). The data set must contain the \*.mme file and a directory named "CHANNEL", which contains the \*.chn file and the channel files. Reports in common file formats (\*.pdf, \*.emf) may be included in a directory "REPORT" next to the directory "CHANNEL".

## 2 Data Preparation

### 2.1 Channels

#### 2.1.1 Required Measurement Channels

The measurement channels shown in the following table must be included in the data set.

Channel Description / Proposed Longname	Channel Code
Head Angular Velocity Y	D0HEAD0000THAVYP
Neck Upper Force Z	D0NECKUP00THFOZP
Neck Upper Moment Y	D0NECKUP00THMOYP
Pendulum Acceleration X	T0PEND000000ACXP <sup>1</sup>
Pendulum Angular Velocity Y	T0PEND000000AVYP

#### 2.1.2 Optional Channels

- All head and neck channels shall be included in the data set, if available.
- Calculated channels can be included in the data set.

#### 2.1.3 Further Channel Requirements

- No filtering is applied to the channels.
- A time range of at least 200 ms before contact (expected T0) and 300 ms after contact (expected T0) has to be included in each channel.

#### 2.1.4 Physical Units

All dynamic measurements have to be given in SI units.

Static tilt sensors should be given in the unit "deg" (degrees).

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<sup>1</sup> In the NHTSA document THOR-50M Qualification Procedures and Requirements April 2023, the code used for the impactor is 'SENSMI'. Here, the code 'PEND' is used (T0SENSMI0000ACXP → T0PEND000000AXCP; state of discussion in the ISO MME working group, September 2022).

The SI units must be written as shown in the following table (from **ISO/TS 13499 Database**):

Physical Dimension	ISO Code	Unit
Acceleration	AC	m/(s*s)
Angle	AN	rad
Angular Acceleration	AA	rad/(s*s)
Angular Velocity	AV	rad/s
Distance	DC	m
Displacement	DS	m
Energy	EN	J
Event	EV	1
Force	FO	N
Humidity	HU	%
Lever Arm	LE	m
Mass	MA	kg
Moment	MO	Nm
Temperature	TE	K
Velocity	VE	m/s
Voltage	VO	V

#### 2.1.5 Channel Sorting

The channels have to be sorted in the following order:

- Dummy channels
- Pendulum/test rig channels
- Other channels

The channel sorting given for dummy channels by the document **ISO/TS 13499 – RED B : 2021 E** has to be respected.

#### 2.1.6 Sign Convention

All measurement channels should be delivered in their own local coordinate systems with respect to SAE J1733 November 2018. This reference system has to be specified as “Instrumentation standard” in the channel information file (\*.chn).

The angular velocity of the pendulum should be positive as it falls towards the honeycomb.

## 2.1.7 Offset Correction and T0 (Time Zero) Definition

The following sequence of steps has to be applied:

- **Pre-Shift:**  
Set T0 to the time when the pendulum first contacts the honeycomb. Perform bias removal of the channel T0IMPA000000ACXP by subtracting the average value of the data samples over the period between (-0.05 s) to (-0.01 s) prior to T0.
- **Shift:**  
Set T0 to the first data sample, where the bias removed channel T0IMPA000000ACXP filtered by CFC1000 exceeds the 5 g level (= 49.03325 m/s<sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>.
- **Offset Correction:**  
Perform bias removal of the remaining measured (unfiltered) channels by subtracting the average value of the data samples over the period between (-0.05 s) to (-0.01 s) prior to T0. Do not perform bias removal for absolute channels (e. g. angle, voltage, constant channels) or MTRAC channels.

Subtype of the test	Filter Class	Search level	Final Shift
NEFX	CFC1000	5 g	0 ms

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<sup>2</sup> A sampling rate of at least 10 kHz is assumed.

### 3 ISO MME Test Descriptor File (\*.mme)

#### 3.1 General Information

The following information must be included:

Type of the test	Dummy Certification TH
Subtype of the test	NEFX
Regulation	NHTSA 2023-04
Laboratory test ref. number	<i>A unique test ref. number must be provided here.</i>
Customer test ref. number	<i>A unique test ref. number must be provided here (must comply to the test name).</i>
Date of the test	<i>The date of the test must be provided here in the format YYYY-MM-DD. Time information is not necessary.</i>
Data format edition number	1.6
Reference temperature	<i>The reference temperature in Kelvin must be provided here.</i>
Relative air humidity	<i>The relative air humidity must be provided here.</i>

#### 3.2 Test Objects

- The test objects must have the following order: Dummy, Pendulum/Test Rig
- For the dummy, the following information must be included:

Name of test object 1	Dummy
Driver position object 1	0
Impact side test object 1	FR
Type of test object 1	D
Ref. number of test object 1	<i>The pure dummy ID must be provided here or 'NOVALUE' for a component test without dummy reference.</i>
Code of test object 1	<i>The part number must be provided here or 'NOVALUE' if unknown.</i>

- For the pendulum/test rig, the following information must be included:

Name of test object 2	Pendulum/Test Rig
Velocity test object 2	<i>The pendulum/test rig velocity in m/s must be provided here.</i>
Mass test object 2	<i>The pendulum/test rig mass in kg must be provided here.</i>
Driver position object 2	0
Impact side test object 2	FR
Type of test object 2	T