

### **Technical Report**

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### **Project**

The Laboratory Determination of The Airborne Sound Transmission of Various Single and Double Door Sets

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### 1.0 Summary

Tests have been done in SRL's Laboratory at Holbrook House, Sudbury, Suffolk, to determine the sound reduction index of various single and double door sets in accordance with BS EN ISO 140-3:1995

From these measurements the required results have been derived and are presented in both tabular and graphic form in Appendix 3.

The results are given in 1/3rd octave bands over the frequency range 50Hz to 10kHz, which is beyond that required by the test standard. Measurements outside the standard frequency range are not UKAS accredited.

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### 2.0 Details of Measurements

#### 2.1 Location

Sound Research Laboratories Ltd Holbrook House Little Waldingfield Sudbury Suffolk CO10 OTH

#### 2.2 Test Dates

18 May 2010

#### 2.3 Instrumentation and Apparatus Used

Make	Description	Туре
EDI	Microphone Multiplexer Microphone Power Supply Unit	
Norwegian Electronics	Real Time Analyser Rotating Microphone Boom	830 231
Brüel & Kjaer	12mm Condenser Microphones Windshields Pre Amplifiers Microphone Calibrator Omnipower Sound Source	4166 UA0237 2639, 2669C 4231 4296
Larson Davis	12mm Condenser Microphone	2560
SRL	Voltage controller	
Celestion	Loudspeakers	100w
Douglas Curtis	Rotating Microphone Boom	
Thermo Hygro	Temperature & Humidity Probe	
TOA	Graphic Equalizer	E-1231
QSC Audio	Power Amplifier	RMX 1450



#### 2.4 References

BS EN ISO 140-3:1995 Laboratory measurement of airborne sound

insulation of building elements

BS EN ISO 717-1:1997 Rating of sound insulation in buildings and of

building elements. Airborne Sound Insulation.

#### 2.5 Personnel Present

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D Jones Norseal





### 3.0 Description of Test

#### 3.1 Description of Sample

Various single and double door sets (within the same aperture size) were tested.

See Appendices 3 and 4 for individual test details and Appendix 5 for drawings. When cross referencing the detail in Appendix 4 use the SRL test number.

Sampling plan: Enough for test only

Sample condition: New

Details supplied by: Norsound Ltd

Sample installed by: Norsound Ltd

#### 3.2 Sample Delivery date

16 May 2010

#### 3.3 Test Procedures

The sample was mounted/located and tested in accordance with the relevant standard. The method and procedure is described in Appendix 1. The measurement uncertainty is given in Appendix 2.



### 4.0 Results

The results of the measurements and subsequent analysis are given in Appendix
3 and summarised in Appendix 4.

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### **Appendix 1**

#### **Test Procedure**

### Measurement of Sound Transmission in accordance with BS EN ISO 140-3: 1995 - TP15

In the laboratory, airborne sound transmission is determined from the difference in sound pressure levels measured across a test sample installed between two reverberant rooms. The difference in measured sound pressure levels is corrected for the amount of absorption in the receiving room. The test is done under conditions which restrict the transmission of sound by paths other than directly through the sample. The source sound field is randomly incident on the sample.

The test sample is located and sealed in an aperture within the brick dividing wall between the two rectangular reverberant (i.e. acoustically "live") room, both of which are constructed from 215mm brick with reinforced concrete floors and roofs. The brick wall has dimensions of 4.8m wide x 3.1m high and 550mm nominal thickness and forms the whole of the common area between the two rooms.

One of the rooms is used as the receiving room and has a volume of 300 cubic metres. It is isolated from the surrounding structure and the adjoining room by the use of resilient mountings and seals ensuring good acoustic isolation. The adjoining source room has a volume of 115 cubic metres.

Broad band noise is produced in the source room from an electronic generator, power amplifier and loudspeaker. The resulting sound pressure levels in both rooms are sampled using a microphone mounted on an oscillating boom and connected to a real time analyser. The signal is filtered into one third octave band widths, integrated and averaged. The value obtained at each frequency is known as the average sound pressure level for either the source or the receiving room. The change in level across the test sample is termed the sound pressure level difference, i.e.

$$D = L_1 - L_2$$

where

D is the equivalent Sound Pressure level difference in dB

L<sub>1</sub> is the equivalent Sound Pressure level in the source room in dB

 $\mathsf{L}_2$  is the equivalent Sound Pressure level in the receiving room in dB

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The Sound Reduction Index (R) also known by the American terminology Sound Transmission Loss, is defined as the number of decibels by which sound energy randomly incident on the test sample, is reduced in transmitting through it and is given by the formula:

$$R = D + 10log_{10} \frac{s}{A}$$
..... in decibels

Where

S is the area of the sample

A is the total absorption in the receiving room

#### both dimensions being in consistent units

The Sound Reduction Index is an expression of the laboratory sound transmission performance of a particular element or construction. It is a function of the mass, thickness, sealing method of mounting etc.and is independent of the overall area of the sample.

However, when an example of this construction is installed on site, the sound insulation obtained will depend upon its surface area, as well as the absorption in the receiving room. The larger the area the greater the sound energy transmitted. Also, the overall sound insulation is affected by the sound transmission through other building elements, some of which may have an inferior performance to the sample tested. In practice, therefore, the potential sound reduction index of a construction is not fully realised on site. Furthermore, the sound reduction index of a particular sample of that construction can only be measured accurately in a laboratory, because only under such controlled conditions can the sound transmission path be limited to the sample under test.

 $R_{\rm w},$  C and  $C_{\rm tr}$  have been calculated in accordance with the relevant section of BS EN ISO 717-1 :1997 from the results of laboratory tests carried out in accordance with

BS EN ISO 140-3: 1995.





### Appendix 2

Measurement Uncertainty BS EN ISO 140-3:1995 - TP15

The following values of uncertainty are based on a standard uncertainty multiplied by a coverage factor of k = 2, which provides a level of confidence of approximately 95%.

Frequency, Hz	Uncertainty, ± dB
100	2.6
125	2.4
160	2.1
200	2.1
250	1.5
315	1.5
400	1.2
500	1.2
800	1.0
1000	1.0
1250	1.0
1600	1.0
2000	1.0
2500	1.0
3150	1.0



**Appendix 3 – Test Results** 



#### Data Sheet 1

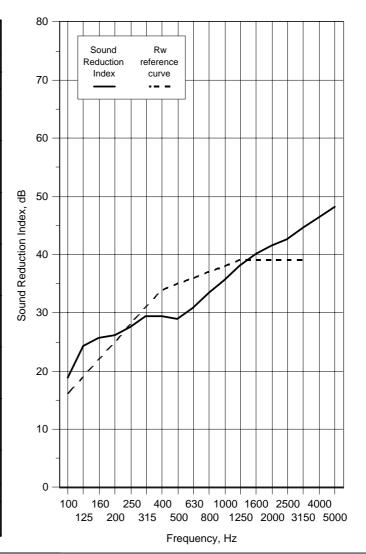
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**Product** 

**Identification:** 54mm Safeguard door in an MDF frame

Fully caulked

	Sound	
Freq	Reduc	
f	Index,	dB
Hz	1/3 Oct	1/1 Oct
50+	25.6	
63+	18.9	18.9
80+	16.4	
100	18.9	
125	24.3	21.9
160	25.7	
200	26.1	
250	27.6	27.5
315	29.5	
400	29.4	
500	29.0	29.7
630	30.9	
800	33.5	
1000	35.7	35.4
1250	38.2	
1600	40.1	
2000	41.5	41.3
2500	42.6	
3150	44.6	
4000	46.4	46.2
5000	48.2	
6300+	50.3	
+0008	50.9 *	50.4
10000+	50.1 *	
Average		
100-3150	32.4	



Rating according to BS EN ISO 717-1:1997

Rw(C;Ctr) = 35 (-1;-4) dB

Notes \* designates measurement corrected for background

- # designates limit of measurement due to background
- + designates frequency beyond standard and not UKAS accredited

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#### **Data Sheet 2**

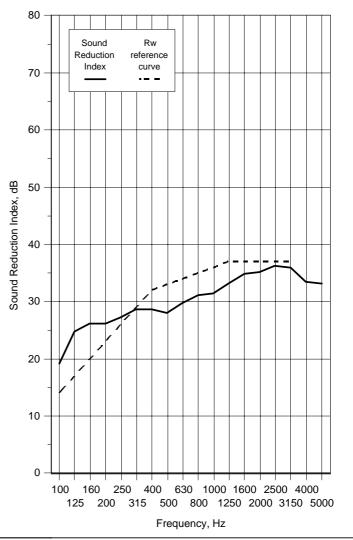
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**Product** 54mm Safeguard door in an MDF frame

**Identification:** Head and Jambs: 710

Threshold: 810S + 625 threshold strip

	Sound	
Freq	Reduction	
f	Index, dB	
Hz	1/3 Oct	1/1 Oct
50+	22.1	
63+	19.2	19.2
80+	17.5	
100	19.2	
125	24.7	22.3
160	26.2	
200	26.2	
250	27.3	27.3
315	28.6	
400	28.6	
500	28.0	28.7
630	29.8	
800	31.2	
1000	31.5	31.9
1250	33.1	
1600	34.8	
2000	35.2	35.3
2500	36.2	
3150	35.9	
4000	33.5	34.0
5000	33.1	Ī
6300+	37.2	
8000+	38.3	38.0
10000+	38.8	Ī
Average		
100-3150	29.8	



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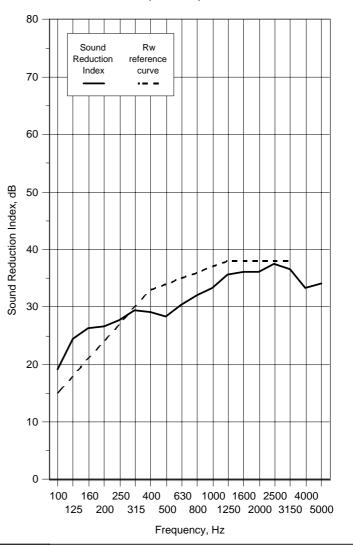
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**Product** 54mm Safeguard door in an MDF frame

Identification: Head and Jambs: 710

Threshold: 810S + 625 threshold strip + DT1 pads added

Sound	
Reduction	
Index, dB	
1/3 Oct	1/1 Oct
23.8	
17.5	18.4
16.8	
19.2	
24.5	22.3
26.4	
26.6	
27.7	27.7
29.4	
29.1	
28.4	29.2
30.3	
32.0	
33.3	33.4
35.7	[
36.1	
36.1	36.5
37.5	
36.6	
33.3	34.5
34.1	]
37.4	
38.3	38.3
39.3	<u> </u>
30.6	
	Reduce Index 1/3 Oct 23.8 17.5 16.8 19.2 24.5 26.4 26.6 27.7 29.4 29.1 28.4 30.3 32.0 33.3 35.7 36.1 36.1 37.5 36.6 33.3 34.1 37.4 38.3 39.3



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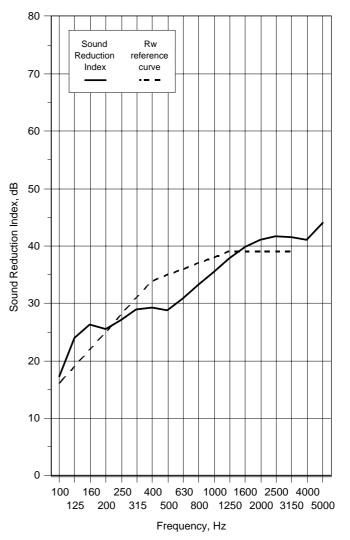
14.5 °C Test Number: Air temperature: Client: Norseal 54 % Air humidity: Test Date: 18/05/2010 Receiving room volume 300 m3 Sample height: 2.13 m Source room volume: 115 m3 Sample width: 1.01 m Sample weight: 28.5 kg/m2

**Product** 54mm Safeguard door in an MDF frame

**Identification:** Head and Jambs: 710 + 720

Threshold: 810S + 625 threshold strip + DT1 pads added

	Sound	
Freq	Reduction	
f	Index,	dB
Hz	1/3 Oct	1/1 Oct
50+	26.3	
63+	18.9	19.7
80+	17.7	
100	17.3	
125	24.0	20.8
160	26.3	
200	25.6	
250	27.1	27.0
315	28.9	Ī
400	29.3	
500	28.8	29.6
630	30.8	
800	33.3	
1000	35.5	35.2
1250	37.9	Ī
1600	39.8	
2000	41.1	40.8
2500	41.7	
3150	41.6	
4000	41.1	42.1
5000	44.0	Ī
6300+	47.8	
8000+	48.4	47.8
10000+	47.3 *	Ī
Average		
100-3150	31.8	



Rating according to BS EN ISO 717-1:1997

Rw(C;Ctr) = 35 (-1;-4) dB

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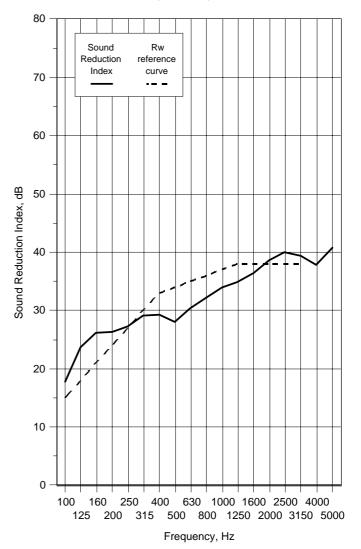
Test Number: Air temperature: 14.5 °C Client: Norseal Air humidity: 54 % Test Date: 18/05/2010 Receiving room volume 300 m3 Sample height: 2.13 m Source room volume: 115 m3 Sample width: 1.01 m Sample weight: 28.5 kg/m2

**Product** 54mm Safeguard door in an MDF frame

**Identification:** Head and Jambs: 710 + 720 with 710 seal removed from hinge blades

Threshold: 810S + 625 threshold strip + DT1 pads added

	Sound	
Freq	Reduction	
f	Index,	dB
Hz	1/3 Oct	1/1 Oct
50+	25.2	
63+	17.3	18.6
80+	17.1	
100	17.8	
125	23.7	21.1
160	26.1	
200	26.3	
250	27.2	27.4
315	29.1	
400	29.3	
500	28.1	29.2
630	30.4	
800	32.3	
1000	33.9	33.6
1250	34.9	Ī
1600	36.5	
2000	38.6	38.2
2500	40.0	
3150	39.4	
4000	37.9	39.2
5000	40.7	
6300+	44.5	
+0008	45.3	44.8
10000+	44.7	
Average		
100-3150	30.9	



Rating according to BS EN ISO 717-1:1997

Rw(C;Ctr) = 34 (-1;-3) dB

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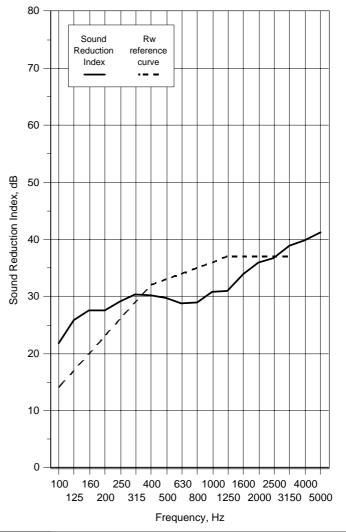
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**Product** 44mm Safeguard door in an MDF frame

**Identification:** Head and Jambs: 710

Threshold: 810S + 625 threshold strip + DT1 pads added

	Sound	
Freq	Reduction	
f	Index, dB	
Hz	1/3 Oct	1/1 Oct
50+	18.6	
63+	20.4	19.8
80+	20.5	
100	21.8	
125	25.8	24.4
160	27.5	
200	27.6	
250	29.1	28.9
315	30.4	Ī
400	30.2	
500	29.8	29.6
630	28.8	Ī
800	29.0	
1000	30.8	30.2
1250	31.0	
1600	33.9	
2000	35.9	35.4
2500	36.8	Ī
3150	38.9	
4000	39.9	39.9
5000	41.3	Ī
6300+	42.7	
8000+	43.4	43.3
10000+	43.9	Ī
Average		
100-3150	30.5	
		-



Rating according to BS EN ISO 717-1:1997

Rw(C;Ctr) = 33 (-1;-3) dB

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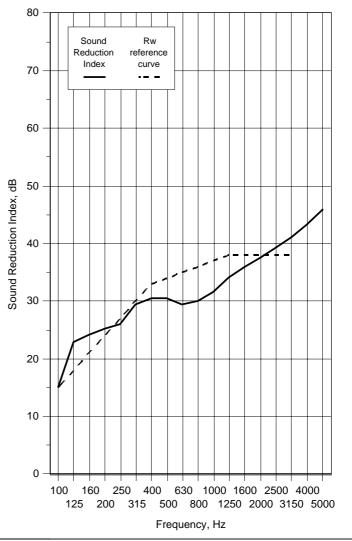
#### **Data Sheet 8**

Test Number: 13 Air temperature: 14.8 °C Client: Norseal Air humidity: 55 % Test Date: 18/05/2010 Receiving room volume 300 m3 Sample height: 2.13 m Source room volume: 115 m3 Sample width: 1.01 m Sample weight: 28.2 kg/m2

**Product** 44mm Plytex door in an MDF frame

Identification: Fully caulked

Sound	
Reduction	
Index, dB	
1/3 Oct	1/1 Oct
27.0	
20.3	19.5
16.5	
15.1	
22.9	18.8
24.2	
25.2	
26.0	26.5
29.5	
30.6	
30.6	30.2
29.4	
30.0	
31.6	31.6
34.1	
36.0	
37.5	37.4
39.2	
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49.1 *	
30.2	
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Rating according to BS EN ISO 717-1:1997

Rw(C;Ctr) = 34 (-2;-5) dB

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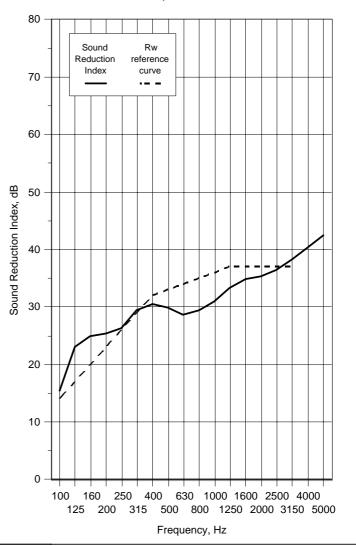
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**Product** 44mm Plytex door in an MDF frame

**Identification:** Head and Jambs: 710

Threshold: 2 x 720 + 625 threshold strip

	Sound	
Freq	Reduction	
f	Index, dB	
Hz		1/1 Oct
50+	26.6	
63+	19.6	18.8
80+	15.8	
100	15.5	
125	23.1	19.2
160	24.9	
200	25.4	
250	26.4	26.8
315	29.5	
400	30.5	
500	29.9	29.6
630	28.7	
800	29.4	
1000	31.0	30.9
1250	33.3	
1600	34.9	
2000	35.4	35.5
2500	36.4	
3150	38.3	
4000	40.3	40.0
5000	42.5	
6300+	44.9	
8000+	45.1	45.2
10000+	45.5	
Average		
100-3150	29.5	



Rating according to BS EN ISO 717-1:1997

Rw(C;Ctr) = 33 (-1;-4) dB

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Appendix 4 – Test Details

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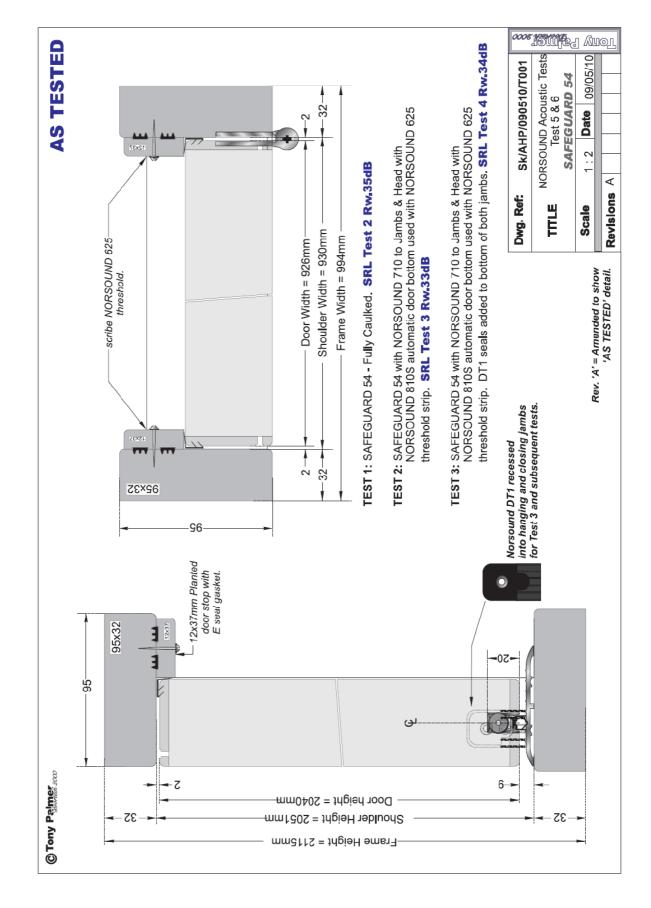
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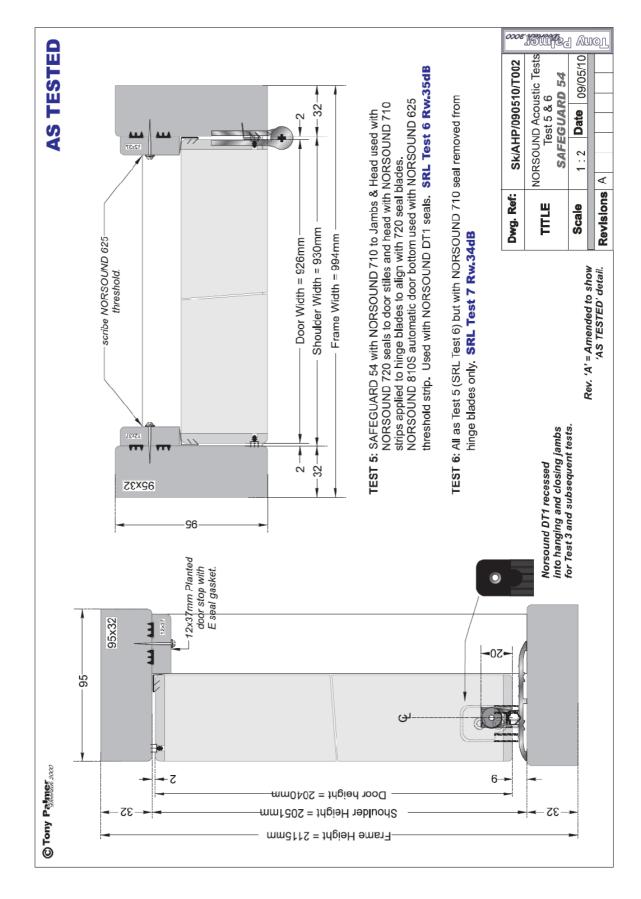
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Norsound	d Acoustic	Testing	j - SRL Ma	y 2010 - AS 1	TESTED													
F.4 C.A	FECUADO																	
54mm SAFEGUARD																		
Item No.	NORSOUND Test Ref.	SRL Test No.	Dwg. Ref: Sk/AHP/09051 0/	Door Configuration	Door Type	Height	Width	Tcks.	Head	Hanging Jamb	Closing Jamb	Threshold	Meeting Stiles	GLAZING	Fully Caulked	Measured Performance Rw.	% Efficiency	NOTES
			-	,	1			SA	FEGUARD 54	- Flush - Sin	gle Leaf - Si	ngle Action		1				
1	1	2	T001	Single leaf	SAFEGUARD 54	2040	926	54					n/a	NIL	YES	Rw.35dB	Reference	
2	2	3	T001	Single leaf	SAFEGUARD 54	2040	926	54	NOR710	NOR710	NOR710	NOR810S + 625	n/a	NIL	NO	Rw.33dB		
3	3	4	T001	Single leaf	SAFEGUARD 54	2040	926	54	NOR710	NOR710	NOR710	NOR810S + 625 + DT1 pads	n/a	NIL	NO	Rw.34dB		DT1 pads added
5	5	6	T002	Single leaf	SAFEGUARD 54	2040	926	54	NOR710 + 720	NOR710 + 720	NOR710 + 720	NOR810S + 625 + DT1 pads	n/a	NIL	NO	Rw.35dB		NORSOUND 710 seal fitted to hinge blades to align with blades of 720 seal.
6	6	7	T002	Single leaf	SAFEGUARD 54	2040	926	54	NOR710 + 720	NOR710 + 720	NOR710 + 720	NOR810S + 625 + DT1 pads	n/a	NIL	NO	Rw.34dB		710 seals removed from hinge blades.
	FEOUADD																	
44mm SA	FEGUARD																	
Item No.	NORSOUND Test Ref.	SRL Test No.	Dwg. Ref: Sk/AHP/09051 0/	Door Configuration	Door Type	Height	Width	Tcks.	Head	Hanging Jamb	Closing Jamb	Threshold	Meeting Stiles	GLAZING	Fully Caulked	Measured Performance Rw.	% Efficiency	NOTES
			1	I			SA	FEGUARD 44	- Flush - Sin	gle Leaf - Si	ngle Action		1				1	
7	7	8	T003	Single leaf	SAFEGUARD 44	2040	926	44	FULLY CAULKED			n/a	NIL	YES	Rw.35dB	Reference		
8	8	9	Т003	Single leaf	SAFEGUARD 44	2040	926	44	NOR710	NOR710	NOR710	NOR810S + 625 + DT1 pads	n/a	NIL	NO	Rw.33dB		
44mm DI	VTEV																	
44mm PLYTEX																		
Item No.	NORSOUND Test Ref.	SRL Test No.	Dwg. Ref: Sk/AHP/09051 0/	Door Configuration	Door Type	Height	Width	Tcks.	Head	Hanging Jamb	Closing Jamb	Threshold	Meeting Stiles	GLAZING	Fully Caulked	Measured Performance Rw.	% Efficiency	NOTES
								PL	YTEX 44mm	- Flush - Sin	gle Leaf - Si	ngle Action						
14	11	13	T004	Single leaf	PLYTEX 44	2040	926	44	FULLY CAULKED			n/a	NIL	YES	Rw.34dB	Reference		
15	12	14	T004	Single leaf	PLYTEX 44	2040	926	44	NOR710	NOR710	NOR710	2xNOR720 + 625	n/a	NIL	NO	Rw.33dB		
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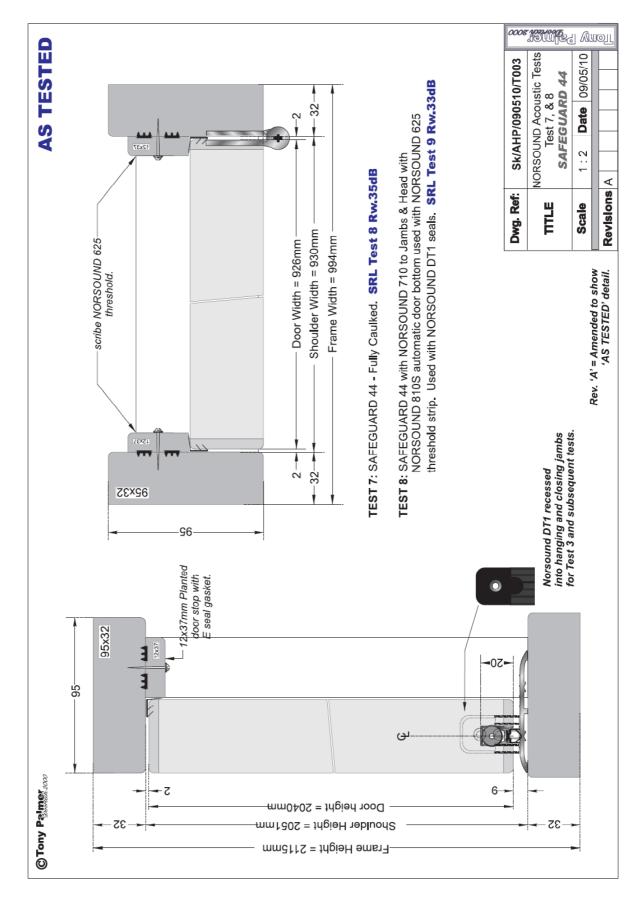
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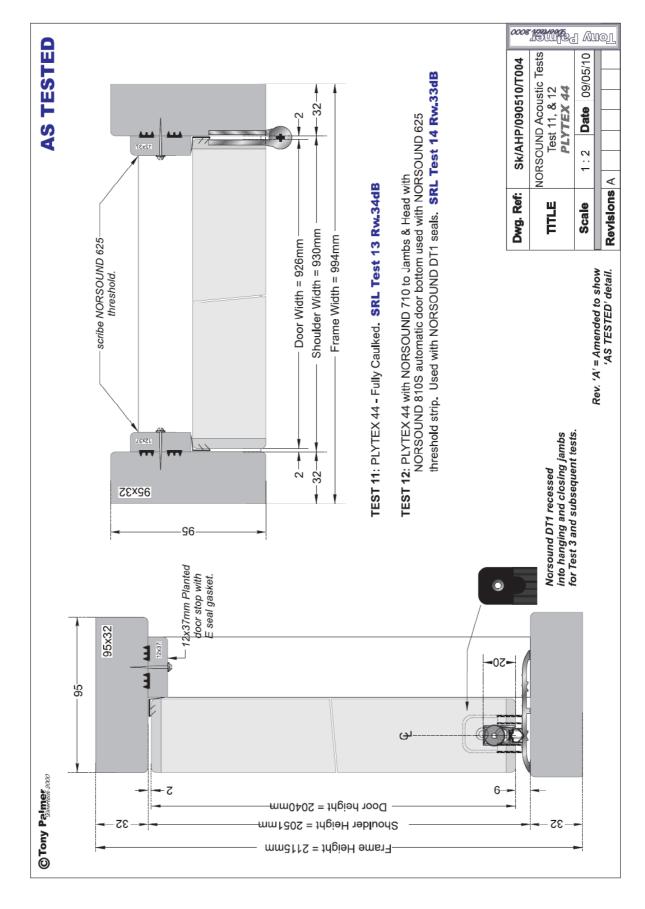


Appendix 5 – Drawings











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