

ARI Standard 300

**2000 Standard for
Sound Rating and
Sound Transmission
Loss of Packaged
Terminal Equipment**



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Note:

This standard supersedes ARI Standard 300-88.

Note:

This version of the standard differs from the 1988 version of the standard in the following:

- a. The single number Sound Rating (SR_{ARI}) in bels has been replaced by a Sound Rating comprised of a set of Sound Power Levels expressed in decibels (dB). The set of Sound Power Levels include Octave Band Sound Power Levels ($L_{W(n)}$), an A-Weighted Sound Power Level (L_{WA}), and a Tone Adjusted A-Weighted Sound Power Level (L_{WAT}). The Sound Power Levels used for the Sound Rating are all determined from the same One-Third Octave Band sound pressure measurements that are required in the 1988 version of the standard.
- b. The Reference Sound Source used in the sound test is calibrated in accordance with ARI Standard 250.
- c. ARI Standard 280 has been incorporated for obtaining optional sound data below 100 Hz.
- d. This standard includes the addition of an Outdoor-Indoor Transmission Class (OITC). The OITC is provided in both overall A-Weighted and One-Third Octave Band forms. Future editions of this standard will eliminate the use of Sound Transmission Class (STC) in lieu of the more appropriate OITC.

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