



## Test Monitoring Center

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TO: L-33-1 Mailing List

SUBJECT: Revision to Percent Deviation Calculation

At the February 11, 2009 L-33-1 Surveillance Panel meeting, the panel revised the procedure for calculating percent deviation. A revised Annex A2.3.2 of Test Method D 7038 is attached.

This change is effective 30 days after the date of this information letter.

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Attachment

c: [ftp://ftp.astmtmc.cmu.edu/docs/gears/1331/procedure\\_and\\_ils/il09-1.pdf](ftp://ftp.astmtmc.cmu.edu/docs/gears/1331/procedure_and_ils/il09-1.pdf)

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(Revises Test Method D 7038-08a)

A2.3.2 Calculate the percent deviation as follows:

$$\text{percent out} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{M_i}{0.5R} \times \frac{T_i}{D} \right) \times 100 \quad (\text{A2.1})$$

where:

$M_i$	=	magnitude of test parameter out from specification limit at occurrence $i$ ,
$R$	=	test parameter specification range,
$T_i$	=	length of time the test parameter was outside of specification range at occurrence $i$ , ( $T_i$ is assumed to be no less than the recorded data-acquisition frequency unless supplemental readings are documented.), and
$D$	=	test or test phase duration in same units as $T_i$ .