

## Test Report

FOR: **LATICRETE International, Inc.**  
Bethany, CT.

**Sound Transmission Loss**  
**RAL™-TL15-332**

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ON: 5/16 inch Porcelain Tile - Fracture Ban™ 40 Peel and Stick Membrane - 6 inch Concrete Slabs

### TEST METHOD

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### DESCRIPTION OF THE SPECIMEN

The test specimen was designated by the manufacturer as 5/16 inch Porcelain Tile - Fracture Ban™ 40 Peel and Stick Membrane - 6 inch Concrete Slabs. The building contractor and RAL staff compiled a detailed construction specification as follows:

#### Flooring

Layer 1: Crossville unglazed porcelain tile and Laticrete Permacolor® Grout

Weight: 497.14 kg (1096.0 lbs.)

Mass per Unit Area: 19.11 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (3.91 lbs./ft<sup>2</sup>)

*The dimensions of each tile were measured as 298.45 mm (11.75 in.) wide by 298.45 mm (11.75 in.) long and 8.38 mm (0.33 in.) thick. The tile series was Cross Colors. The color was A825 Mercury. The individual weights of the tile and grout were 478.54 kg (1055.0 lbs.) and 18.60 kg (41.0 lbs.), respectively.*

Layer 2: Laticrete 253 Gold Mortar

Weight: 85.96 kg (189.50 lbs.)

Mass per Unit Area: 3.30 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (0.68 lbs./ft<sup>2</sup>)

Layer 3: Laticrete Fracture Ban™ 40 Peel and Stick Membrane

Thickness: 1.02 mm (0.04 in.)

Weight: 10.66 kg (23.50 lbs.)

Mass per Unit Area: 0.41 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (0.08 lbs./ft<sup>2</sup>)

*Note: Note: The membrane was laid over the 152.40 mm (6.0 in.) concrete slabs. The mortar was then applied over the membrane using a trowel. Tile was set in the mortar bed with a 6.35 mm (0.25 in.) grout joint. The mortar was allowed to cure for at least 24 hours before grouting. The flooring was then allowed to cure for at least 21 day prior to testing.*



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Overall Size: Ten at 609.60 mm (24.0 in.) wide by 4.23 m (166.50 in.) long  
Overall Thickness: 152.40 mm (6.0 in.)  
Material: Wire-reinforced concrete  
Weight: 8640.93 kg (19,050.0 lbs.)  
Mass per Unit Area: 332.22 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (68.04 lbs./ft<sup>2</sup>)  
Joints: Sealed with acoustical caulk (underside)  
Filled with general purpose sand, sealed with ready mix compound.

**Physical Measures**

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Size: 4.27 m (168.00 in.) wide by 6.10 m (240.00 in.) long  
Thickness: 163.29 mm (6.43 in.)  
Weight: 9234.69 kg (20359.0 lbs.)  
Mass per Unit Area: 355.04 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (72.71 lbs./ft<sup>2</sup>)  
Transmission Area: 26.01 m<sup>2</sup> (280.00 ft<sup>2</sup>)

**Test Aperture**

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Size: 4.27 m (14.0 ft.) by 6.10 m (20.0 ft.)  
Filler Wall: None  
Sealed: Entire periphery (both sides) with dense mastic

**Test Environment**

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## Source Room

Volume: 139.6 m<sup>3</sup> (4929.5 ft<sup>3</sup>)  
Temperature: 24±0°C (75±0°F)  
Humidity: 61±0%

## Receive Room

Volume: 87.0 m<sup>3</sup> (3072.7 ft<sup>3</sup>)  
Temperature: 24±0°C (75±0°F)  
Humidity: 62±0

\* = Information provided by manufacturer and not verified by RAL.



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Figure 1 – Specimen mounted in the test opening.



Figure 2 - Detail of the test specimen.



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### TEST RESULTS

Sound transmission loss values are tabulated at the eighteen standard frequencies. A graphic presentation of the data and additional information appear on the following pages. The precision of the transmission loss test data is within the limits set by the ASTM Standard E90-09.

<u>FREQ.</u>	<u>T.L.</u>	<u>C.L.</u>	<u>DEF.</u>	<u>FREQ.</u>	<u>T.L.</u>	<u>C.L.</u>	<u>DEF.</u>
100	37	0.55		800	54	0.27	2
125	39	0.71		1000	56	0.20	1
160	39	0.67	2	1250	60	0.21	
200	41	0.59	3	1600	63	0.18	
250	41	0.66	6	2000	69	0.14	
315	45	0.50	5	2500	75	0.11	
400	48	0.47	5	3150	80	0.08	
500	50	0.37	4	4000	82	0.10	
630	52	0.31	3	5000	85	0.09	

STC=54

### ABBREVIATION INDEX

FREQ. = FREQUENCY, HERTZ, (cps)  
T.L. = TRANSMISSION LOSS, dB  
C.L. = UNCERTAINTY IN dB, FOR A 95% CONFIDENCE LIMIT  
DEF. = DEFICIENCIES, dB<STC CONTOUR (SUM OF DEF = 31)  
STC = SOUND TRANSMISSION CLASS


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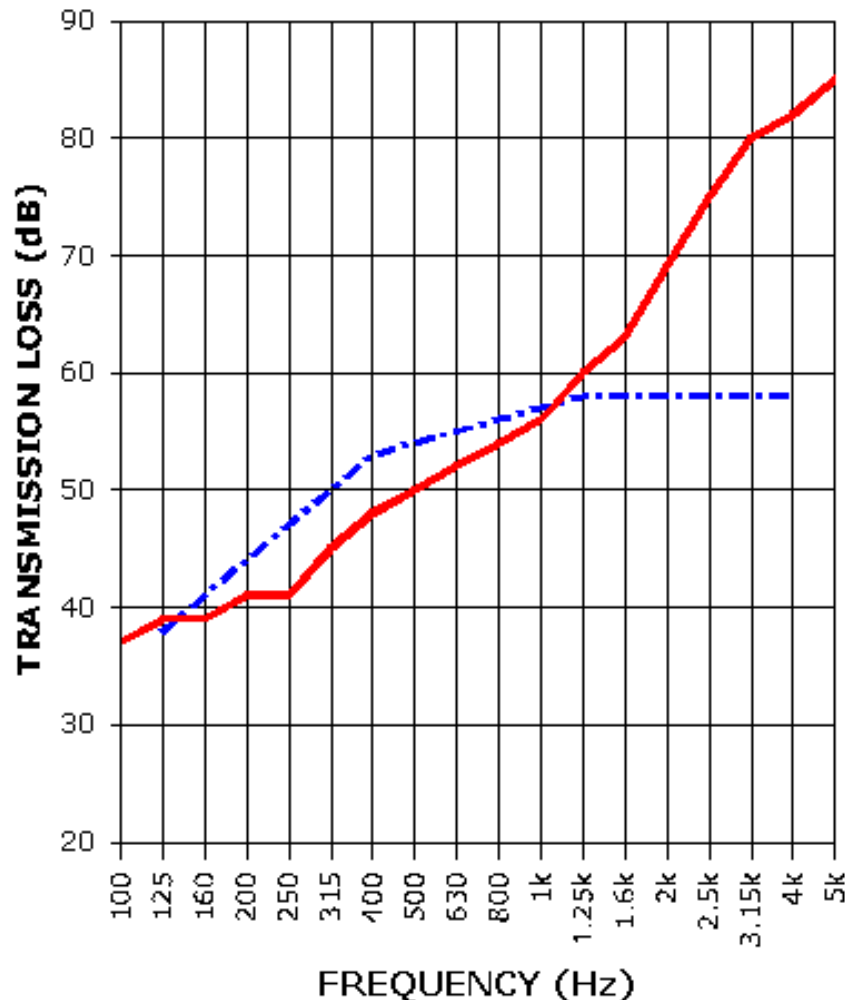
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**TRANSMISSION LOSS**  
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### **APPENDIX A: Extended Frequency Range Data**

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*The following non-accredited data were obtained in accordance with ASTM E90-09, but extend beyond the defined frequency range of 100Hz to 5,000Hz. These unofficial results are representative of the RAL test environment only and intended for research & comparison purposes.*

1/3 Octave Band Center Frequency (Hz)	Sound Transmission Loss (dB)	Uncertainty (95% ±)
31.5	33	1.17
40	41	0.94
50	40	0.60
63	42	1.67
80	38	0.70
100	37	0.55
125	39	0.71
160	39	0.67
200	41	0.59
250	41	0.66
315	45	0.50
400	48	0.47
500	50	0.37
630	52	0.31
800	54	0.27
1000	56	0.20
1250	60	0.21
1600	63	0.18
2000	69	0.14
2500	75	0.11
3150	80	0.08
4000	82	0.10
5000	85	0.09
6300	85	0.16
8000	81	0.15
10000	74	0.05
12500	68	0.14



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<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Model</u></b>	<b><u>Serial Number</u></b>	<b><u>Date of Certificati on</u></b>	<b><u>Calibration Due</u></b>
Bruel & Kjaer Pulse Analyzer	Type 3560-C	2647140	2015-04-08	2016-04-08
Bruel & Kjaer Mic And Preamp	Type 4943-B-001	2311439	2015-03-18	2016-03-18
G.R.A.S Pistonphone	Type42AF-1	80001	2015-08-14	2016-08-14
Omega Digital Thermo- Hygrometer	Model # RH411	H0101841	2014-11-28	2015-11-28
Omega Digital Thermo- Hygrometer	Model # RH411	H0103273	2015-06-30	2016-06-29

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