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# Loudspeaker Test Report

Manufacturer: Penton (UK) Ltd

Type: Ceiling

Model: PCL 6T

For: Penton (UK) Ltd

Report No.: 1278/LS/PCL6T

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### 1. Object

1.1. The object of this Report is to present measurements of the acoustic performance of the PCL 6T device.

## 2. Scope

- 2.1. The following characteristics were measured
  - On-axis frequency response
  - Polar response
  - Impedance
  - Applied voltage
  - On-axis 3<sup>rd</sup> octave band sound pressure level

from which the following are calculated

- a) Directivity Index (dB), tabulated and graphical
- b) Directivity factor, Q
- c) Effective octave band impedance
- d) Octave band Sensitivity (dB @ 1m, 1W/oct)
- e) Overall Sensitivity:

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dBA @ 1m, 1W
dBlin @ 1m, 1W
250Hz-4kHz @ 1m, 1W
Speech shape @ 1m, 1W
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- f) Acoustic Power (dB-PWL @ 1W), tabulated and graphical
- g) Octave band Power Apportionment (%)
- h) Impedance bode plot
- i) Expected maximum Sound pressure level (dB @ 1m)
- j) Frequency response chart
- k) Polar response charts

#### 3. Method

- 3.1. The device was mounted in Free Space as shown in figure 1 Mounting method A.
- 3.2. The measurements were made in an anechoic chamber.
- 3.3. Measurements were made as detailed in AMS Test Method document No. IR/1a/LS/Meth.
- 3.4. All measurements were made in general accordance with BS 6840: Part 5: 1995.

#### 4. Results

- 4.1. The On-axis 3<sup>rd</sup> octave frequency response of the device is shown graphically in the appendix.
- 4.2. The Impedance bode plot of the device is shown graphically in the appendix.
- 4.3. Polar plots of the device are shown graphically in the appendix.
- 4.4. Tabulated values of Directivity index, Directivity factor, Sensitivity, Acoustic Power, Power Apportionment, Impedance and Maximum SPL are shown in the Summary data sheet given in the appendix.
- 4.5. The Directivity Index has been calculated using Gerzon' equal angle, weighted area method.

#### 5. Notes

#### 5.1. Sensitivity

The octave band sensitivity is produced in its useful form for calculations. It should be noted that the octave band sensitivity is given as dB @ 1m, 1W/Oct. To determine the output when only the overall power is known, then only the overall dBA or dBlin values should be used. For more detailed information refer to AMS Acoustics Data Sheet 'Loudspeaker Sensitivity – Interpretation of Results'.

#### 5.2. Polar Plots

For convenience each polar plot has been normalized to 0dB. For this reason caution is advised when comparison of levels between octave bands is made. The reference axis frequency response should be used for comparison purposes.

# 6. Engineers Notes

Reference point taken from front of grille at centre of loudspeaker.

Reference axis perpendicular to baffle, passing through centre of loudspeaker

## **Loudspeaker Information**

Manufacturer: Penton (UK) Ltd

Model Code: PCL 6T
Type: ceiling
Colour: White
Serial No.: None
Batch No.: None
Other Markings: None
Backbox: None

Grille: As Supplied

Weight (grammes): 800
Depth (mm): 76 mm
Width (mm): 236 mm
Height (mm): 236 mm

Special Features: Clamping screws located behind front grille

**Internal Details** 

Driver Types/Sizes: 1 x 150mm (6") driver

Driver Serial No.(s): None Driver Markings: None Damping Material: None

Available Tappings: 6W, 3W, 1.5W, 0.75W, 0.25W (100V)

**Electrical Details** 

Resonant Frequency(s): See Impedance Plot

Cross-Over Frequency(s): N/A Nominal Impedance (ohms): 8

Inductance: NM Capacitance: NM

NM = Not Measured, NA = Not Applicable

Originator: Countersigned:





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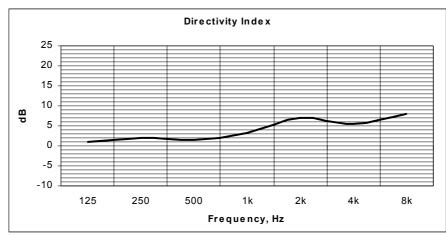
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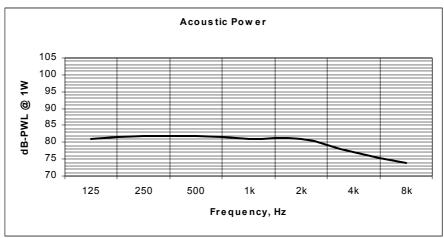
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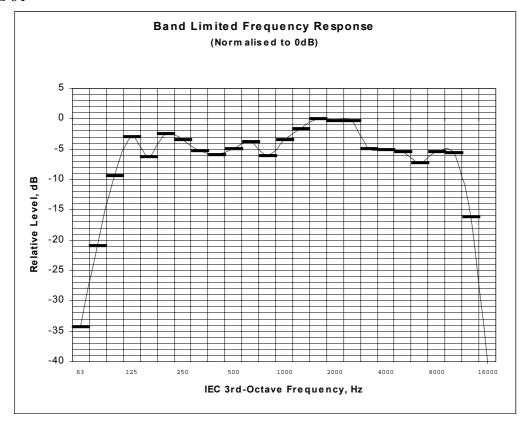
Reference Axis Located at: 0 degrees

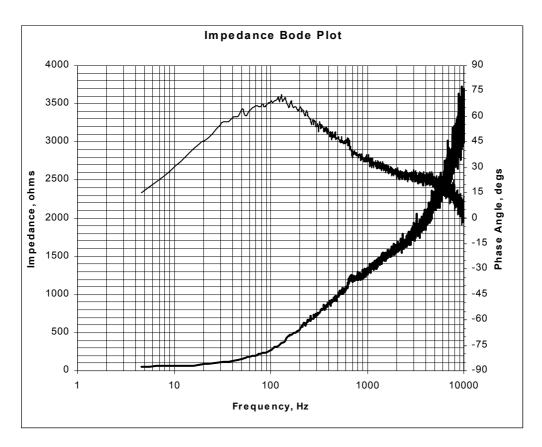
	Frequency (Hz)								
Parameter	125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k	dB	dBA
Axial Q	1.3	1.6	1.4	2.1	4.9	3.5	6.1		
Directivity Index (dB on Axis)	1.1	2.0	1.5	3.2	6.9	5.4	7.9		
Sensitivity (dB @ 1m, 1W/Oct)	75	80	82	86	90	86	88	82	81
Sensitivity(dB @ 1m, 1Wt)250Hz-4kHz								84	84
Sensitivity(dB @ 1m, 1W)Speech Shape								79	75
Acoustic Power (dB-PWL @ 1W)	81	82	82	81	81	77	74		
Apportioned Power (%)	46	21	9	6	4	3	2		
Effective Impedance (Ohms)	128	307	659	1071	1416	1826	2680		
Expected maximum SPL (dB @ 1m)	79	81	80	81	84	80	79	90	89

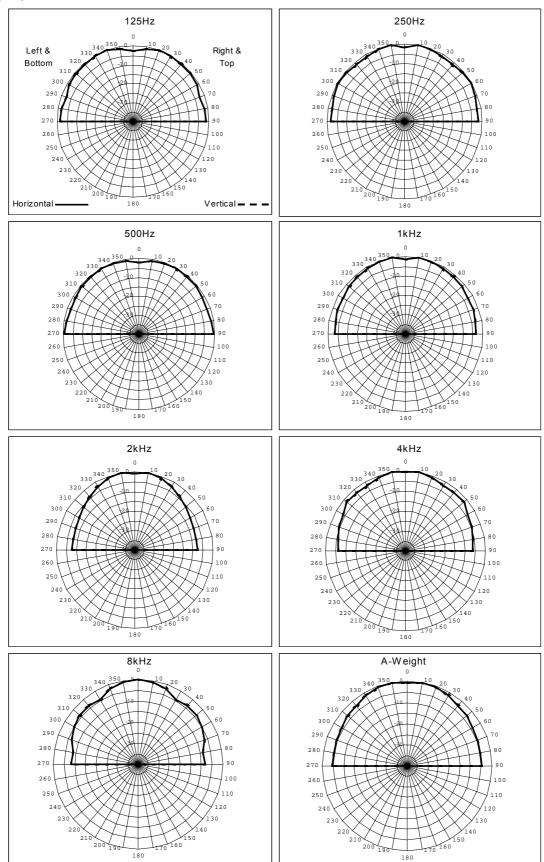
Test Signal: Pink Noise(100Hz-10kHz)



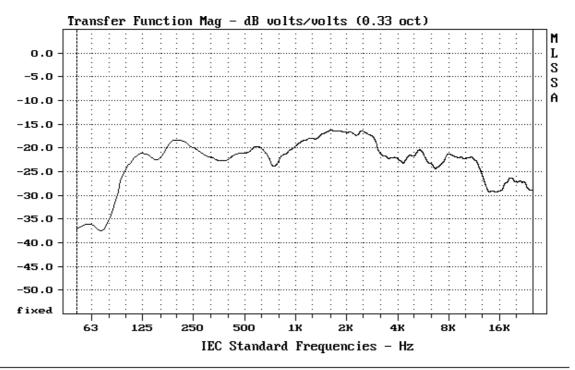








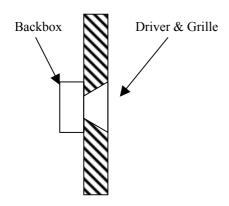
### Wide Band Frequency Response (Valid from 63Hz to 20kHz)



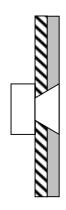
mean: -23.90, rms: -23.06, std: 3.29, max: -16.24, min: -37.38

Note: The wide band frequency response is derived using MLS methods and does not necessarily relate to the sensitivity values given in the summary table.

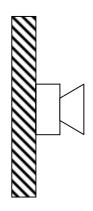
# **Loudspeaker Mounting Methods**



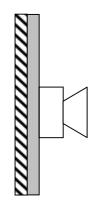
Mounting Method A Loudspeaker Mounted in a Reflective Baffle



Mounting Method B Loudspeaker Mounted in an Absorbent Baffle



Mounting Method C Loudspeaker Mounted on a Reflective Baffle



Mounting Method B Loudspeaker Mounted on an Absorbent Baffle



# **Mounting Method E**

Loudspeaker not Attached to any Surface and Radiation Unaffected by nearby Reflecting Surfaces