

Pollutant	Ref. or equivalent	Manual or automated	Applicable part 50 appendix	Applicable subparts of part 53					
				A	B	C	D	E	F
	Equivalent Class III .....	Automated .....	L <sup>1</sup> , O <sup>1,2</sup>	✓	✓	✓ <sup>1</sup>	✓ <sup>1</sup>		

<sup>1</sup> Some requirements may apply, based on the nature of each particular candidate method, as determined by the Administrator.

<sup>2</sup> Alternative Class III requirements may be substituted.

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APPENDIX A TO SUBPART A OF PART 53—  
REFERENCES

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(2) American National Standard Quality Systems for Environmental Data and Technology Programs—Requirements with guidance for use, ANSI/ASQC E4-2004. Available from American Society for Quality P.O. Box 3005, Milwaukee, WI 53202 (<http://qualitypress.asq.org>).

(3) Dimensioning and Tolerancing, ASME Y14.5M-1994. Available from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, 345 East 47th Street, New York, NY 10017.

(4) Mathematical Definition of Dimensioning and Tolerancing Principles, ASME Y14.5.1M-1994. Available from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, 345 East 47th Street, New York, NY 10017.

(5) ISO 10012, Quality Assurance Requirements for Measuring Equipment-Part 1: Meteorological confirmation system for measuring equipment:1992(E). Available from American Society for Quality Control, 611 East Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

(6) Quality Assurance Guidance Document 2.12. Monitoring PM<sub>2.5</sub> in Ambient Air Using Designated Reference or Class I Equivalent Methods. U.S. EPA, National Exposure Research Laboratory, Research Triangle Park, NC, November 1998 or later edition. Currently available at <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/amtic/pmqaainf.html>.

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**Subpart B—Procedures for Testing Performance Characteristics of Automated Methods SO<sub>2</sub>, CO, O<sub>3</sub>, and NO<sub>2</sub>**

**§ 53.20 General provisions.**

(a) The test procedures given in this subpart shall be used to test the performance of candidate automated methods against the performance spec-

ifications given in table B-1. A test analyzer representative of the candidate automated method must exhibit performance better than, or equal to, the specified value for each such specification (except Range) to satisfy the requirements of this subpart. Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, the range of the candidate method must be the range specified in table B-1 to satisfy the requirements of this subpart.

(b) For a candidate method having more than one selectable range, one range must be that specified in table B-1 and a test analyzer representative of the method must pass the tests required by this subpart while operated in that range. The tests may be repeated for a broader range (i.e., one extending to higher concentrations) than that specified in table B-1 provided that the range does not extend to concentrations more than two times the upper range limit specified in table B-1. If the application is for a reference method determination, the tests may be repeated for a narrower range (one extending to lower concentrations) than that specified in table B-1.

If the tests are conducted or passed only for the specified range, any reference or equivalent method determination with respect to the method will be limited to that range. If the tests are passed for both the specified range and a broader range (or ranges), any such determination will include the broader range(s) as well as the specified range, provided that the tests required by subpart C of this part (if applicable) are met for the broader range(s). If the tests are passed for both the specified range and a narrower range, a reference method determination for the method will include the narrower range as well as the specified range. Appropriate test data shall be submitted for each range sought to be included in a reference or equivalent

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method determination under this paragraph (b).

(c) For each performance specification (except Range), the test procedure shall be initially repeated seven (7) times to yield 7 test results. Each result shall be compared with the corresponding specification in table B-1; a value higher than or outside that specified constitutes a failure. These 7 results for each parameter shall be interpreted as follows:

(1) Zero (0) failures: Candidate method passes the performance parameter.

(2) Three (3) or more failures: Candidate method fails the performance parameter.

(3) One (1) or two (2) failures: Repeat the test procedures for the parameter eight (8) additional times yielding a total of fifteen (15) test results. The combined total of 15 test results shall then be interpreted as follows:

(i) One (1) or two (2) failures: Candidate method passes the performance parameter.

(ii) Three (3) or more failures: Candidate method fails the performance parameter.

TABLE B-1—PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS FOR AUTOMATED METHODS

Performance parameter	Units <sup>1</sup>	Sulfur dioxide	Photochemical oxidants	Carbon monoxide	Nitrogen dioxide	Definitions and test procedures
1. Range .....	Parts per million ...	0-0.5	0-0.5	0-50	0-0.5	Sec. 53.23(a).
2. Noise .....	.....do .....	.005	.005	.50	.005	Sec. 53.23(b).
3. Lower detectable limit .....	Parts per million ...	.01	.01	1.0	.01	Sec. 53.23(c).
4. Interference equivalent .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	Sec. 53.23(d).
Each interferant .....	Parts per million ...	±.02	±.02	±1.0	±0.02	
Total interferant .....	.....do .....	.06	.06	1.5	.04	
5. Zero drift, 12 and 24 hour .....	.....do .....	±.02	±.02	±1.0	±.02	Sec. 52.23(e).
6. Span drift, 24 hour .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	Do.
20 percent of upper range limit ....	Percent .....	±20.0	±20.0	±10.0	±20.0	
80 percent of upper range limit ....	.....do .....	±5.0	±5.0	±2.5	±5.0	
7. Lag time .....	Minutes .....	20	20	10	20	Do.
8. Rise time .....	.....do .....	15	15	5	15	Do.
9. Fall time .....	.....do .....	15	15	5	15	Do.
10. Precision .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	.....do .....	Do.
20 percent of upper range limit ....	Parts per million ...	.01	.01	.5	.02	
80 percent of upper range limit ....	.....do .....	.015	.01	.5	.03	

<sup>1</sup> To convert from parts per million to µg/m<sup>3</sup> at 25 °C and 760 mm Hg, multiply by M/0.02447, where M is the molecular weight of the gas.

(d) The tests for *zero drift*, *span drift*, *lag time*, *rise time*, *fall time*, and *precision* shall be combined into a single sequential procedure to be conducted at various line voltages and ambient temperatures specified in § 53.23(e). The tests for *noise*, *lower detectable limit*, and *interference equivalents* shall be made at any temperature between 20 °C. and 30 °C. and at any normal line voltage between 105 and 125 volts, and shall be conducted such that not more than three (3) test results for each parameter are obtained per 24 hours.

(e) All response readings to be recorded shall first be converted to concentration units according to the calibration curve constructed in accordance with § 53.21(b).

(f) All recorder chart tracings, records, test data and other documentation obtained from or pertinent

to these tests shall be identified, dated, signed by the analyst performing the test, and submitted.

NOTE: Suggested formats for reporting the test results and calculations are provided in Figures B-2, B-3, B-4, B-5, and B-6 in appendix A. Symbols and abbreviations used in this subpart are listed in table B-5, appendix A.

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§ 53.21 Test conditions.

(a) *Set-up and start-up* of the test analyzer shall be in strict accordance with the operating instructions specified in the manual referred to in § 53.4(b)(3). Allow adequate warm-up or stabilization time as indicated in the operating instructions before beginning the tests.