

Acoustiblok<sup>®</sup> sound insulation

Uniclass L68161:P7113	F8	EPIC F852:X724		
CI/SfB				
	Ln6	(P2)		

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# Timber Joist Floor with Hardwood Oak Finish/'Soundmatt'/Plywood Subfloor over 3mm Acoustiblok



## Dimensions

• Weight: 168.07kg/m<sup>2</sup>

- Thickness: 348mm
- **Content:** 43% recycled materials

### **Assembly Construction**

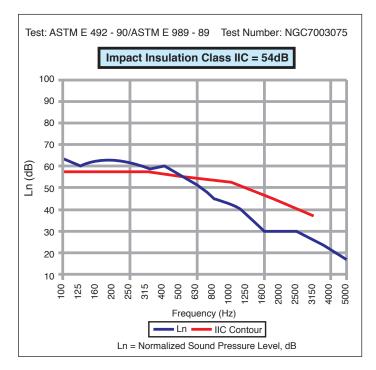
- 18mm Hardwooood Oak T&G Flooring.
- 18mm T&G Plywood Subfloor.
- 12mm Rubber Underlay.
- 18mm T&G Plywood Sub Floor.
- 3mm Acoustiblok Sound isolation Material.
- 254 x 50mm Timber Joists with 75mm fibreglass within cavities.
- 10mm Resilient Channel.
- 15mm Drywall Plasterboard.

### **Testing Establishment**

## NGC Testing Services Inc. Cert No: NGC 7003075 NGC Testing Services rates this floor

configuration with an IIC (Impact Insulation Class) of 54 dB, and an STC (Sound Transmission Class) of 56. See report graphs below. Note the high performance of this configuration in blocking the lowest sound frequencies, otherwise difficult or impossible to control.

Independently Tested Sound Transmission Loss Reference								
Frequency	100Hz	125Hz	160Hz	250Hz	500Hz	1000Hz	2500Hz	5000Hz
Ln	64dB	61dB	63dB	61dB	56dB	43dB	31dB	18dB



#### Performance

- Sound Transmission Class 56dB
- Impact Insulation Class 54dB
- LnTw (Calculation = 110-IIC) 56dB

Impact Insulation Class (IIC) is a single number rating used to compare the performance of floor/ceiling partitions in blocking impact noise, such as footsteps and dropped objects. The higher the IIC rating number, the better the performance. An IIC of 50 is usually considered the minimum for preventing noise complaints in residential building. IIC ratings are calculated by a method similar to STC ratings (see description of STC over).

The IIC of a particular floor assembly is derived using a standard tapping machine, as stipulated in ASTM method E492.3 This machine incorporates five steelfaced hammers that strike the test floor and generate noise in a room below. The noise levels are measured and used to calculate the Impact Insulation Class (IIC), following ASTM method E989.

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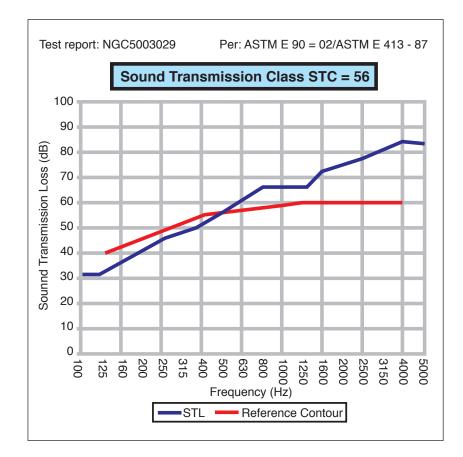




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Sound Transmission Loss data for red oak floor/ceiling assembly with 16oz Acoustiblok, STC 56. See illustration and description on previous page for details of the assembly.

SOUND TRANSMISSION CLASS is a single number that represents the sound blocking capacity of a partition such as a wall or ceiling.

STC numbers are often referred to in architectural specifications, to assure that partititions will reduce noise levels. For performance similar to laboratory test numbers, it is necessary to adhere closely to the construction materials and techniques used in the tested partition.

STC calculations emphasize sound frequencies that match the human voice. A high STC partition will block the sound of human speech, and block noise that interferes with human speech. A high STC number may not indicate a partition that is effective in blocking very low or very high pitched sound.

STC measures sound blocking for airborne noise source only; it does not indicate how well a partition can block impact noise (objects striking the far side of the partition), or directly transmitted noise such as machinery mounted on the far side of the wall.

STC is calculated by comparing the actual sound loss measured when 18 test frequencies pass through a partition, with fixed values for each STC level. The highest STC curve that the measured sound loss numbers fit under, determines the STC rating of the tested partition.