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1 PREMISE

This document is prepared in order to report the results of dynamic impact tests on the posts of the road safety device subject to crash tests #1901 – 1905, model SafeStar 221, according to different test configurations.

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4 TEST ITEM

TEST DEVICE POST 125x62,5x25mm th = 5 mm		
INSTALLED TEST DEVICE Post C 125x62,5x25mm th=5 mm, L=1650		
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5 TEST EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURE

The impact tests on the examined samples have been performed using the moving equipment T.H.O.R.

– Testing Head Over Road (Image 1).



Figure 1: Testing Head Over Road

The test structure is based on the transformation of the elastic potential energy released by the compression of the springs, of which it is composed, into kinetic energy and therefore, in part, also into the impact energy of the hammer, with which it is equipped.

The equipment consists of an impact head of known weight which runs through small wheels on linear guides. Its speed, and therefore its energy, is provided by a series of parallel springs, whose elastic constant is known. The springs are compressed and released and this movement pushes the impact head horizontally in a straight motion.

The springs are positioned around tubes arranged in the same direction of movement as the hammer and are rigidly connected to the machine structure. The hydraulic loading cylinders are inserted inside them. Through a special bracket connected to the stem, the hydraulic system is able to simultaneously compress the head and springs.

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Figure 2: Test structure's testing head

During the impact, the test variables are measured and the phenomenon is recorded by a high-speed camera and a laser system.



Figure 3: T.H.O.R. – Test configuration





6 IMPACT TESTS

The samples on which the impact tests have been carried out are type C posts of the H2 metal barrier for ground model SafeStar 221, sect. 125x62.5x25 mm thick 5 mm. The tests were performed at the AISICO srl test house in two different configurations, described in the following paragraphs and named as follows:

- TH513: standard post, 1650 mm length driven for 800 mm in flat and well compacted ground, consisting of calcareous gravel in a silty sandy matrix of classification A-1-a according to UNI EN ISO 14688-2: 2018 (crash test conditions);
- TH512: post with increased length, 2050 mm, driven for 1200 mm in flat and well compacted soil, consisting of calcareous gravel in a silty sandy matrix of classification A-1-a according to the UNI EN ISO 14688-2: 2018 standards.

The dynamic tests were carried out according to the following test methods:

TEST CONFIGURATION TH513		
Test configuration	C Post 125x62,5x25x5 mm L=1650 mm Crash test conditions	
Mass of the head [kg]	450	
Effective speed of impact [m/s]	6,3	
Impact energy [kJ]	8,8	
Impact point height [cm]	57 ⁽¹⁾	
Post driving [cm]	80	
Post height [cm]	85 (1)	

⁽¹⁾ height defined by the road surface



TEST CONFIGURATION TH512			
Test configuration	C Post 125x62,5x25x5 mm L=2050 mm		
Mass of the head [kg] 450			
Effective speed of impact [m/s]	6,3		
Impact energy [kJ]	8,8		
Impact point height [cm]	57 (1)		
Post driving [cm]	120		
Post height [cm]	85 (1)		

⁽¹⁾ height defined by the road surface

In both test configurations, there's a 110x47 U-shaped post reinforcement, 5 mm thickness and 300 mm length, driven into the ground for 100 mm.



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The results of the dynamic tests in the following report are expressed, consistently with what is indicated in the technical document UNI / TR 11785, in terms of:

- displacement time curve;
- position of the plastic hinge P respect to the base of the pole (at the maximum distance a);
- maximum displacement of the post's head (XA);
- maximum dynamic deflection at impact point height;
- displacement of the post's base (XB);
- lowering of the post's head (YA);
- contact time in which the post absorbs all the energy originated in the impact;
- capacity of the post to absorb the energy originated in the impact (CE).





Figure 4: Quantities to be detected

Technical drawings of the two test poles are reported below.

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Figure 5: C post 125x62,5x25 mm, 1650 length and 5 mm thickness technical drawing







Figure 6: C post 125x62,5x25 mm, 2050 mm length and 5 mm thickness technical drawing

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6.1 Impact test TH513

The TH513 impact test was performed on a standard 125x62.5x25x5 mm C-post, 1650 mm length, driven into the ground for 800 mm.

IMPACT TESTS RESULTS			
	TH513_1	TH513_3	
Static deflection of the post's head [cm]	30	31	
Displacement of the post's base [cm]	4	3	
Final height of the post's head [cm]	83	84	
Lowering of the post's head [cm]	2	1	
Position of the plastic hinge P [cm]	70	67	
Maximum dynamic deflection at impact point height [cm]	27	29	
Energy absorption time [ms]	86	86	
Capacity to absorb the energy $C_{E,A}$ ⁽¹⁾	67	61	

⁽¹⁾ C_{EA} = Capacity to absorb the energy, inversely proportional to the area under the displacement-time curve calculated up to the maximum value

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RESULTS				
	Average value of maximum dynamic deflection at impact point height [cm]	Average value of energy absorption time [ms]	Average value of capacity to absorb the energy C _{E,A}	
TH513	28	86	64	

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6.2 Impact test TH512

The TH512 impact test was performed on a 125x62.5x25x5 mm C-post, with an increased length, 2050 mm, driven into the ground for 1200 mm.

IMPACT TESTS RESULTS			
	TH512_1	TH512_2	TH512_3
Static deflection of the post's head [cm]	28	27	29
Displacement of the post's base [cm]	2	2	2
Final height of the post's head [cm]	84	84	82
Lowering of the post's head [cm]	1	1	3
Position of the plastic hinge P [cm]	102	105	104
Maximum dynamic deflection at impact point height [cm]	24	24	23
Energy absorption time [ms]	82	84	82
Capacity to absorb the energy $C_{E,A}$ ⁽¹⁾	76	76	79

⁽¹⁾ C_{EA} = Capacity to absorb the energy, inversely proportional to the area under the displacement-time curve calculated up to the maximum value

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	Average value of maximum dynamic deflection at impact point height [cm]	Average value of energy absorption time [ms]	Average value of capacity to absorb the energy C _{E,A}
TH512	24	83	77

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