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### Importance of the new IEC 60118-16 standard for practice

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In the IEC 60118 series of standards, many properties and terms that are important for hearing aids are defined, such as the performance characteristics to be specified in the data sheet according to Part 0 or the implementation of percentile analysis according to Part 15. Last year, Part 16 was published internationally, which for the first time contains definitions and test methods for typical features in hearing aids, such as noise or feedback reduction. This year, Part 16 of the standard will also be issued in German as DIN EN IEC 60118-16. This is reason enough to present the content of the standard and take a closer look at what it means from the perspective of the hearing aid professional. For this purpose, the motivation for individual definitions will be illustrated using examples, and the relation to the benefit for the hearing aid user will be discussed.