

standards and recommended practices

Draft USA Standards

Two Draft USA Standards are published here for a trial period and public review. Comments should be addressed to Alex E. Alden, Staff Engineer, at Society Headquarters before December 31, 1968. The proposals have also been submitted to USASI Standards Committee PH22. Consequently, all comments received through *Journal* publication will be reviewed prior to the conclusion of action by the PH22 Committee. PH22.65, Specifications for Scanning-Beam Uniformity Test Film for 35mm Motion-Picture Sound Reproducers, is essentially an editorial redraft of the earlier issue which describes a test film distributed by the Society. It should be noted that the width of the test section of the sound record has been reduced from 0.007 to 0.004 inch maximum. PH22.176, Dimensions of Magnetic Striping of 16mm Motion-Picture Film Perforated Super 8, 2R-1667 (1-3), is a new standard specifying the magnetic striping on 16mm film which will be slit for use as super 8 film.

Proposed SMPTE Recommended Practice

The Proposed Recommended Practice is published here for a trial period and public review. Proposed Recommended Practice RP 35, Specifications for Theater Test Film for Motion-Picture Projection Sound Reproducing Systems, does not

intend to replace any of the currently available test films. Actually, it combines the data now specified in USA Standards PH22.60 and PH22.79 which are listed for withdrawal at this time.

Comments should be addressed to Alex E. Alden, Staff Engineer, at Society Headquarters prior to December 31, 1968. If no adverse criticism is received by this date, the Proposed Recommended Practice will be submitted to the SMPTE Board of Governors for final approval.

Proposed Withdrawal of USA Standards

The Sound and Standards Committees have recommended the withdrawal of USA Standards PH22.60-1959, Theater Sound Test Film for 35mm Motion-Picture Sound Reproducing Systems, and PH22.79-1950, 16-Millimeter Sound Projector Test Film. These Standards were published in the November 1948 and April 1950 issues of the *Journal*.

Withdrawal action has been initiated because the Sound Committee has decided that the subject matter is not appropriate as a USA Standard, and has now generated Proposed SMPTE Recommended Practice RP 35 (published in this issue), combining the technical content of the two standards.

If no objections are received, USA Standards Committee PH22 will be requested to approve termination of these documents. — *AEA*