Dynatest portable Road Surface Profiler (RSP) Mark IV is designed to provide advanced, automated, high quality pavement roughness measurements for engineers, construction superintendents, and pavement network managers. The portable RSP Mark IV can be fitted easily to most vehicles.

The RSP Mark IV capable of real time, continuous, highway-speed measurements of longitudinal profile elevations, international roughness index (IRI), ride number (RN), and (optionally) macro texture, GPS data and digital photo logging.
MEASURING PRINCIPLE

The longitudinal profile measurement is based on the “South Dakota” method. An accelerometer is used to obtain vertical vehicle body movement, and a laser sensor is used for measuring the displacement between the vehicle body and the pavement. Road profile measurements are obtained by summing the body movement with the appropriate body-road displacements. IRI is calculated in accordance with World Bank guidelines for “Conducting and Calibrating Road Roughness Measurements”.

COMPLIANCE WITH INDUSTRY STANDARDS

AASHTO R 56-14 “Standard Practice for Certification of Inertial Profiling Systems”
ASTM E950/E950M-09 “Standard Test Method for Measuring the Longitudinal Profile of Traveled Surfaces with an Accelerometer Established Inertial Profiling Reference”. The RSP IV meets the Class 1 precision and bias specifications
TxDOT Tex-1001-S “Test Procedure for Operating Inertial Profilers and Evaluating Pavement Profiles”

KEY FEATURES

The Most Accurate, Dependable, and Long Term Calibration Stability of any Profiler on the Market

Unique “Stop & Go” feature permits IRI & RN data to be collected in urban and rural networks within traffic
Laser sensors are transversely adjustable to any width of 60 to 79 in (1.50 to 2.00 m) via telescopic arms
Measurements referenced to linear chainage and Differential Geographical Position System (DGPS)
Real-time profile data calculation and storage in two wheel paths
Optional GPS and digital photo logging can be stored with profiler measurement data
Optional Texture Laser can be used to collect real-time mean profile depth (MPD) macro texture
Optional 100 mm Line Lasers improve profile measurements on textured surfaces
Optional Line Laser adjustable mounts allow laser angles from 0 to 90 degrees from travel direction
Solid Construction with corrosion resistant and durable materials—providing long term performance and low maintenance cost of the unit

ADVANTAGES

The “Stop & Go” feature allows IRI measurements to be taken at all traffic speeds, allowing testing at junctions, traffic lights, roundabouts and testing of short sections where it is difficult to gain enough speed, or when it is not possible to do a pre-section

The RSP is designed to allow in-field vertical alignment of the profiler ensuring the lasers are mounted at the optimum distance (Standoff) from the pavement surface. This is critical for an inertial profiling system mounted to a vehicle since the loaded weight of the vehicle can change which can change the standoff of the mounted lasers. Improper standoff can reduce the measurement range of the lasers

The vehicle independent test system can be quickly mounted to a vehicle’s standard 2 in × 2 in (5.08 cm x 5.08 cm) square receiver tube opening and to heavy duty European trailer hitch receivers and is easily removed from the vehicle for storage or shipping
Standard 5G accelerometers provide the highest precision of vehicle motion measurement
_graphical display of the IRI, RN, laser elevations, inertial profile, macrotexture, and photo-logging
Easy step by step on screen help and calibration procedures displayed allowing in-field calibrations
Built-in analysis software reporting IRI, PI, RN and marking bumps/dips, scallops/must-grinds, leave-out sections
The test system can be powered from a vehicles standard 12V trailer wiring connection
Ethernet communication between portable profiler electronics and the data storage laptop PC inside the vehicle