

Required Training Program:
Hearing Conservation

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Description:

In areas where noise level approaches or exceeds the OSHA action level (85 decibels av/8hrs) periodic noise monitoring will be conducted to ensure that protections are put in place to keep employee exposure to a minimum. If employees are exposed to noise levels above the action level, such as operating gas powered equipment or working on or near heating, ventilation or air conditioning equipment, they will be involved in the Hearing Conservation Program. Annual employee training and hearing exams (audiogram), and the use of personal protective equipment are required.

Responsible Agency(s): OSHA, Standard: 29 CFR 1910.95

Requirements:

1. Annual Training (1) hr session per CFR 1910.95(k)
2. Written Program: Yes

Provided By: EHS Office

Applicable Departments: Power Plant, Grounds, Carpentry, Specialty. Other areas may include: Plumbing, Paint, Steam, Sheet Metal, Electric and Lock Shop.

Links:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=9797

Other Info:

- Personal Protective Equipment is to be made available for all employees who are in the hearing conservation program.
- Areas which have been identified as at or above the OSHA action level of 85 decibels (av/8 hrs) are part of the hearing conservation program.