

Hearing Protective Device Test Report Number Q1891A Revision 0

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Attenuation measurements have been performed according to the American National Standards Institute ANSI S3.19-1974, on the Farmers World Design Plugleash reusable earplug (test ID Q1891A). For the attenuation testing, the specified threshold measurement data were obtained using ten normally-hearing listeners, six male and four female.

The attenuation measurements were made in a room designed for this purpose. All acoustic characteristics of the room meet the requirements outlined in ANSI S3.19-1974. The ambient noise levels in this room are below the limits specified in ANSI S3.19-1974, and open ear thresholds are used on a continuing basis to monitor the background noise levels. An automatic recording attenuator was used to record both open and occluded ear thresholds.

Each subject was tested at each of nine test frequencies. The attached Tables show grand mean attenuation values in decibels (dB) for each test signal along with group attenuation values. Standard deviations (S.D.) for each of the seven test frequencies are also given. The results presented in this report pertain to the samples tested only.

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Use these laboratory-derived attenuation data for comparison purposes only. The amount of protection afforded in field use is often significantly lower depending on how the protectors are fitted and worn.

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President

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Date

Individual and Summary Attenuation Data for
Hearing Protective Devices

Test Method: ANSI S3.19-1974
Manufacturer Farmers World Design
Model: Plugleash Reusable

Position: Insert
Date: 4/27/09
Test ID # Q1891A

FREQUENCY IN HERTZ

SUBJECT	125	250	500	1000	2000	3150	4000	6300	8000
1	35	40	38	32	34	34	39	41	43
	24	30	31	30	39	47	41	43	41
	36	39	36	36	37	39	42	45	42
2	36	39	40	43	43	46	43	39	32
	34	37	39	40	40	38	44	36	38
	34	38	40	42	41	45	44	37	41
3	23	27	33	32	34	37	40	42	48
	33	30	33	33	36	41	43	41	46
	37	33	36	39	36	45	46	48	46
4	33	37	36	42	47	49	43	45	45
	36	38	40	36	40	47	42	44	48
	39	38	40	39	41	47	48	45	47
5	23	27	31	32	35	40	40	39	44
	25	31	29	31	37	39	41	49	50
	24	27	31	33	35	31	41	39	46
6	43	42	42	41	32	44	42	44	47
	39	37	39	37	33	40	41	44	48
	39	40	39	39	36	44	34	45	48
7	36	33	34	34	34	37	36	54	49
	29	28	33	33	44	44	37	45	48
	35	37	38	39	43	43	41	50	47
8	22	29	29	31	33	38	33	33	32
	18	27	28	30	32	42	38	34	34
	21	27	29	30	32	43	37	33	40
9	33	36	43	41	34	39	44	46	49
	35	33	34	37	34	35	41	48	51
	32	33	36	37	30	33	42	46	44
10	32	31	30	33	33	38	37	35	46
	30	30	30	34	35	39	33	32	44
	30	30	30	34	33	41	37	33	42
MEANS	31.6	33.3	35.0	35.7	36.4	40.8	40.3	41.8	44.2
STD. DEV.	6.3	4.8	4.6	4.0	4.2	4.5	3.7	5.7	5.1

NRR = 26 dB

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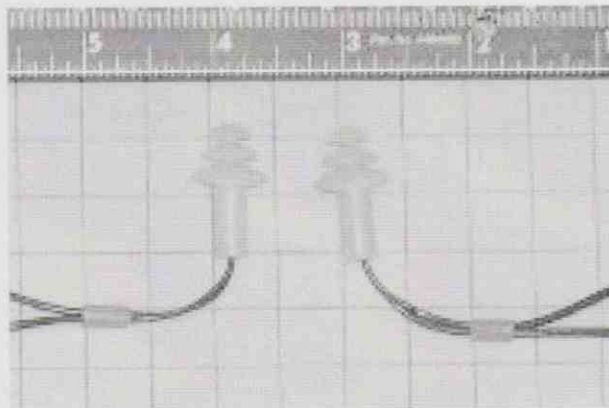
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Measurements were made according to American National Standards Institute Specifications ANSI S3.19-1974.

Center Frequency in Hz	Mean Attenuation in dB	Group Attenuation in dB	Standard Deviation in dB
125	31.6	64.9	6.3
250	33.3		4.8
500	35.0		4.6
1000	35.7		4.0
2000	36.4	188.1	4.2
3150	40.8		4.5
4000	40.3		3.7
6300	41.8	86.0	5.7
8000	44.2		5.1

Test Item: Q1891A



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