



Testing of Hearing Protectors

Test item	H540A
Type	Earmuff
Customer	Peltor AB L. Carlborg Box 2341, Malmstensg. 19 S-331 02 VÄRNAMO SWEDEN
Applied methods	EN 352-1:1993


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Tämän selosteen osittainen julkaiseminen on sallittu ainoastaan Työterveyslaitoksen kirjallisella luvalla. Testaustulokset pätevät ainoastaan testatuille näytteille. Tämän selosteen testit, joissa on merkintä: "Ei Mittatekniikan keskuksen FINAS-akkreditointia", eivät kuulu testauslaboratorion T013 akkreditoinnin piiriin.



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1. Description and identification of test items

Description Foam filled black earmuff with black cushions and metal band
Manufacturer Peltor AB

2. Scope of testing

2.1 Test items

Ten items were supplied by the customer 2001-11-21. Test items were intact.

2.2 Testing

The tests were performed during 2001-11-21-2002-02-12 in the Department of Physics testing laboratories. The tests were performed according to the standard EN 352-1.

3. Results

3.1 The mass of hearing protectors

The mass of all ten specimen was measured in accordance with 7.1.3.3 and the mean mass of the specimens was calculated. The mean mass was 276 g .

3.2 Adjustability

The nominal size of ear-muffs was measured from six specimens.
Specimens were fitted to the test equipment as follows (the over-the-head position):

Test Height mm	Width mm		
	125	145	155
115	S	N	-
130	N	N	N
140	-	N	L

* The internal apex of the headband did not touch the headband support pad.



Specimens satisfy the requirements in the small, normal and large size range in the over-the-head position.

3.3 Cup Rotation

Cup rotation was measured from six specimens. The ability of the cups to accommodate a range of angular movements was tested. The contact between the cushions of specimens and the plates was continuous throughout this range.

3.4 Headband force

The headband force was measured from six specimens. The mean value of headband force for the specimens was 11.6 N. The headband force shall not be greater than 14 N.

3.5 Cushion pressure

Cushion pressure was measured from six specimens. The cushion pressure was 2400 Pa. The cushion pressure shall not be greater than 4500 Pa.

3.6 Resistance to damage when dropped

Resistance to damage when dropped was measured. Specimens did not crack or become detached.

3.7 Resistance to low temperature (optional)

Not performed.

3.8 Change in the headband force

Six specimens were subject to headband flexing. After conditioning (60 ± 5) min in (22 ± 5) °C the headband force was measured again.

Specimen number	1	2	3	4	5	6
Change in headband force (%)	2	2	5	6	4	4

3.9 Insertion loss

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Frequency (Hz)	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	3150	4000	6300	8000
Mean IL (dB)	19.1	16.3	27.1	41.9	58.0	40.9	38.6	46.5	40.8	44.1
St. dev (dB)	1.1	0.8	1.2	1.7	2.7	1.6	1.6	1.0	1.0	1.4

3.10 Resistance to leakage

The resistance against leakage was tested in accordance to 4.13. The specimen did not leak.

3.11 Ignitability

Ignitability was tested from specimens numbered 5-6. Specimens did not ignite or continue to glow after removal of the heated rod.

3.12 Sound attenuation

Sound attenuation was tested from specimens numbered 1-4.

Sound attenuation characteristics in the over the head position

Frequency (Hz)	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	3150	4000	6300	8000
Mean attenuation (dB)	20.8	17.4	24.7	34.7	41.4	39.3	38	47.5	46.3	42.6
St. deviation	3.1	2.1	2.6	2	2.1	1.5	3.9	4.5	2.9	2.6
APV (84%)	17.7	15.3	22.1	32.7	39.3	37.8	34.1	43	43.4	40

H=40

M=32

L=23

SNR=35

NRR=29