

TOOLBOX MEETING GUIDE



Hearing protection

Construction workers are often exposed to on-the-job noise that can permanently damage hearing.

- It's important that workers wear hearing protection devices when exposed to noise from loud tools such as air nailers, chop saws, chainsaws, circular saws, routers, screw guns, drills, and power planers.
- Employers are responsible for providing the required hearing protection devices. To monitor the effectiveness of hearing protection, construction workers must have their hearing tested every year.
- Where communications with co-workers may be critical, wear hearing protection devices that do not block out too much noise. Examples include custom-moulded earplugs with vents, earplugs with a connecting cord, Class B earplugs or earmuffs, and electronic earmuffs or earplugs.
- Information on hearing testing, hearing protection devices, and hearing conservation programs can be found at WorkSafeBC.com. Click Safety at Work, and then under the Topics heading click Hearing Loss Prevention.



There are many options for hearing protection devices on a construction site.

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