

# **3M<sup>™</sup> E-A-R<sup>™</sup> UltraFit<sup>™</sup> Reusable Earplugs**

**Technical Data Sheet** 

# **Product description**

The E-A-R<sup>™</sup> UltraFit<sup>™</sup> reusable earplugs are designed for insertion into the ear canal to help reduce exposure to hazardous levels of noise. These products are available in a corded and uncorded versions.

### Features

- Unique patented tri-flange design fits a wide range of ear canal sizes
- Longer stem helps make insertion easier
- Made from soft and durable material
- One size fits the majority of wearers
- Compatible with the E-A-Rfit<sup>™</sup> Dual Ear Validation System
- Easy to wash and re-use
- Supplied in case for ease of storage between uses
- Available in both corded and uncorded versions

# Applications

The E-A-R<sup>™</sup> UltraFit<sup>™</sup> earplugs are ideal for a wide range of industrial workplace and leisure environments. Examples of typical applications include:

- Automotive
- Chemical & pharmaceutical manufacture
- Construction
- Heavy engineering
- Woodworking

### Standards

These hearing protectors have been produced to comply with the requirements of the Australian /New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1270:2002.



## **Laboratory Attenuation Values**

Frequency (Hz)	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000
Mean (dB)	19.1	18.9	21.2	20.5	28.9	32.1	36.3
SD (dB)	8.1	8.1	9.3	5.7	6.8	10.6	11.0
Mean - SD (dB)	11.0	10.8	11.9	14.8	22.1	21.5	25.3

SLC<sub>80</sub> 18dB (Class 3)

3M strongly recommends personal fit testing of hearing protectors. Research suggests that users may receive less noise reduction than indicated by the attenuation label value(s) on the packaging due to variation in fit, fitting skill, and motivation of the user.

Hearing protector Class 3 tested to AS/NZS 1270. When selected, used and maintained as specified in AS/NZS 1269, this protector may be used in noise 95 dB(A) to less than 100dB(A), assuming an 85dB(A) criterion.

A lower criterion may require a higher protector class.

Mean = Mean attenuation value derived from testing in accordance with AS/NZS 1270:2002.
SD = Standard Deviation derived from testing in accordance with AS/NZS 1270:2002.

Mean-SD = Mean attenuation value minus Standard Deviation SLC80 = Single number rating commonly used in Australia and New Zealand to compare acoustic performance of hearing protectors. The subscript '80' indicates that in well managed hearing protector programs, the protection provided is expected to equal or exceed the SLC80 in 80% of protector-wearer noise spectrum combinations. Class = A simplified process for selecting hearing protectors based on the wearers 8-hour equivalent continuous A-weighted sound pressure level.

#### **Materials**

The following materials are used in the manufacture of this product.

Component	Material		
Earplugs	Thermoplastic elastomer		
Cord	PVC		

#### Storage

Store in an area free of contamination.

Do not leave your hearing protection device in areas or locations where it can be exposed to damage or contamination.

Sunlight is particularly damaging as UV light can have a detrimental effect on the materials the product is made from.

Chemical contamination can also have a serious effect on product integrity and decontamination after use is recommended.

Use a suitable storage container especially if left in a vehicle. This will protect the hearing protection device from damage and extend its working life.

## **Ordering Information**

3M Order Code	Model #	Description		
70071521143	340-4001	3M <sup>™</sup> E-A-R <sup>™</sup> Ultrafit <sup>™</sup> Uncorded with Storage Case		
70071515798	340-4002	3M <sup>™</sup> E-A-R <sup>™</sup> Ultrafit <sup>™</sup> Corded with Storage Case		
70071515772	340-4004	3M <sup>™</sup> E-A-R <sup>™</sup> Ultrafit Polybag Corded		
70071562758	393-2001-50	3M <sup>™</sup> E-A-R <sup>™</sup> UltraFit <sup>™</sup> Probed Test Plug		

WARNING! Hearing Protection Products

These hearing protectors help reduce exposure to hazardous noise and other loud sounds. Misuse or failure to wear hearing protectors at all times that you are exposed to noise may result in hearing loss or injury. For proper use, see supervisor, User instructions, or call 3M TechAssist Helpline 1800 024 46.

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