



Provision	1986 Directive	New Directive
Reduce risk	To lowest level reasonably practicable	Eliminated at source or reduced to a minimum
Assess and where necessary measure exposure	Where noise experienced	Where are, or are likely to be, exposed to risk
Assessment period	8 hours	8 hours or one week
Provide information and training to workers and reps	85 dB(A) and 200 Pa	80 dB(A) and 112 Pa
Workers' right to hearing checks / audiometric testing	85 dB(A) by or under the responsibility of a doctor	85 dB(A) by or under the responsibility of a doctor. To be available at 80 dB(A) and 112 Pa where risk indicated
Health surveillance	-	Provisions to ensure appropriate health surveillance where risk indicated
Make hearing protection available	85 dB(A) and 200 Pa	80 dB(A) and 112 Pa
Hearing protection to be worn	90 dB(A) and 200 Pa	85 dB(A) and 140 Pa selected to eliminate risk or reduce to a minimum
Limit on exposure	-	87 dB(A) and 200 Pa at the ear
Programme of control measures	90 dB(A) and 200 Pa	85 dB(A) and 140 Pa
Delimit areas, put up signs and control access	Where reasonably practicable 90 dB(A) and 200 Pa	85 dB(A) and 140 Pa where technically feasible and the risk of exposure so justifies
Workers reps to receive information	85 dB(A) and 200 Pa (assessments) 90 dB(A) and 200 Pa(programmes of measures)	Refers back to Directive 89/391/EEC
Derogations	Weekly exposure averaging; From hearing protection where health and safety risk	From hearing protection where health and safety risk
Transitional periods	-	5 years from exposure limitation for shipping 2 years from implementation for music and entertainment sectors
Non-application	Sea and air transport	Conflict with public service activities