



Posting the Noise Hazard

Where noise levels cannot be reduced to or below the exposure limits by engineered noise control, warning signs must be posted stating that:

- A noise hazard exists
- Hearing protection must be worn by all workers working in that area

Warning stickers are available through the WCB Publications and Videos Section for this purpose. It is not necessary to post the actual measured noise levels. It is inappropriate to specify on these signs that a certain class of hearing protection must be worn, based on the noise level measured in an area. Selection of hearing protection is determined for each individual worker, based on selection criteria in the CSA standard. The worker's daily noise exposure (not the area noise level) is only one of the six which must be considered.

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Employers **must** ensure that employees working in areas where noise exceeds 85 dBA L_{ex} are provided with and use hearing protection.

