

LEVELS OF NOISE In decibels (dB)

PAINFUL & DANGEROUS		
Use hearing protection or avoid	140	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fireworks ▪ Gun shots ▪ Custom car stereos (at full volume)
	130	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jackhammers ▪ Ambulances
UNCOMFORTABLE		
Dangerous over 30 seconds	120	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jet planes (during take off)
VERY LOUD		
Dangerous over 30 minutes	110	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Concerts (any genre of music) ▪ Car horns ▪ Sporting events
	100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Snowmobiles ▪ MP3 players (at full volume)
	90	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lawnmowers ▪ Power tools ▪ Blenders ▪ Hair dryers
Over 85 dB for extended periods can cause permanent hearing loss.		
LOUD		
	80	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alarm clocks
	70	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Traffic ▪ Vacuums
MODERATE		
	60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Normal conversation ▪ Dishwashers
	50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Moderate rainfall
SOFT		
	40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quiet library
	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Whisper
FAINT		
	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Leaves rustling

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