Leading the Advancement of Hearing Conservation

Classic earplugs were the industry’s first foam earplug—virtually revolutionizing hearing protection. Today, the revolution continues. The Classic product line has been expanded to meet more wearer and environmental needs with its proprietary foams, preferred cylindrical shape, and proven in-ear comfort.

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The Features that Make the Difference

Compared to other hearing protectors, 3M™ E-A-R™ Classic™ Earplugs offer distinct features that have helped make Classic products a preference of workers and industrial safety professionals for over 30 years. Specify your request for Classic earplugs—feel the difference.

The Foam. Classic earplugs are made of a proprietary foam formulation which helps deliver key advantages over other foam earplugs.

- Reduced Canal Pressure: Users and safety directors have said that pressure in the earcanal leads to wear discomfort. Classic earplugs have a lower equilibrium pressure than many other competitive earplugs.*
- Not Too Soft: Classic earplugs are firm when rolled-down for fitting and soft after fitting, to fully and comfortably seal the earcanal for noise reduction.
- Resists Sweat & Moisture: Classic earplugs are resistant to moisture absorption for consistent fitting even in humid environments.
- Resists Flammability: Arc flash exposure? Explosion or flammability potential with inventory storage? Classic earplugs have been tested and proven to be flame resistant.**
- Rated Medical Grade: Classic foam has been laboratory tested and meets the requirements of a USP Class VI Medical Grade Material, the highest grade possible.
- The Recycling Advantage: Classic foam earplugs and most corrugated packaging are recyclable.

The Shape. The advantage of cylindrical earplugs

- Outperforms Tapered: According to a British Steel Technical Study, cylindrical plugs outperformed tapered earplugs for actual in-use protection levels.***
- Fits Most Earcanals: Classic earplugs are designed to fit a wide range of earcanals, and meet the product dimensions of Mil-P-37407, the specification defining U.S. military requirements for foam earplugs.

The Proof. Unmatched performance for more than 30 years

- Military Tested & Approved: It has even met the rigorous demands of the U.S. military for training and combat. In fact, it is one of the highest attenuating earplugs in Air Force testing.****

Classic earplugs can be fit tested using the E-A-Rfit system: on-site, in the workplace. In less than 10 seconds per ear, the system generates a personal attenuation rating (PAR) that indicates a worker’s noise reduction level for a given fitting.

The E-A-Rfit validation system includes FREE online training & user support.

For more information and to see a video please contact your 3M sales representative or visit www.E-A-Rfit.com

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The Choices.
3M™ E-A-R™ Classic™ Earplugs are a leader in the industry in the variety of sizes and styles offered, making Classic products a great choice for just about any situation and nearly all ear sizes. Most products are available corded or uncorded.

**Classic™ Earplugs**
- The Original Foam Earplug • Available in 3M™ One Touch™ Dispenser refills • NRR 29dB*
- The Classic earplug was the first earplug in the industry made of our proprietary slow-recovery foam.

**Classic™ Small Earplugs**
- Enhanced Comfort for Smaller Earchanels • NRR 29dB*
- The diameter of Classic small earplugs is 7% smaller than the Classic earplug (and the same length) to help provide optimum comfort and protection in narrow earchanels.

**Classic™ Plus Earplugs**
- Increased Length Provides Greater Attenuation • NRR 33dB*
- The Classic plus earplugs are 20% longer than the Classic earplug (and the same diameter) to fit deeper into the earchanal for increased attenuation.

**Classic™ Plus Metal Detectable Earplugs**
- Traceable Protectors • NRR 33dB*
- Created for food processing and other industries where prevention of product contamination is critical. Earplugs and vinyl cord are metal detectable.

**Classic™ SuperFit™ Earplugs**
- Exclusive Fitting Ring • Available in One Touch dispenser refills
- NRR 30dB* for the SuperFit 30 or NRR 33dB* for the SuperFit 33
- SuperFit earplugs have a built-in visual to confirm proper fit—the fitting ring. If the ring is visible after insertion, refitting is recommended for best hearing protection.

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* Research indicates that many users will receive less noise reduction than indicated by the NRR due to variation in earplug fit, and wearing time. It is suggested that the NRR be reduced by 50% for estimating the average amount of noise reduction provided.

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**With More Than Just Hearing Protectors.**

At 3M our commitment to hearing conservation extends far beyond our hearing protection products. Other services include:

- 3M™ E-A-Rfit™ Validation System • Online training and information sites such as www.e-a-r.com/hearingconservation • Our HEAR FORCE™ Crew provides on-site employee training that helps employers meet the annual training requirements of OSHA 1910.95.
- Motivational posters to encourage wearing hearing protection • Plus many more

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**Econopack Dispenser**
Boxes for Value Purchasing
Classic earplugs are available in easy access dispenser boxes in quantities of 500 or 1000 pairs. Buying in larger quantities can reduce costs. Boxes can be used free-standing or wall mounted.
**3M™ E-A-R™ Classic™ Earplugs**

- Classic™ Small Earplugs  
- Classic™ Plus Earplugs  
- Classic™ Plus Metal Detectable Earplugs  
- Classic™ SuperFit™ Earplugs  
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**WARNING!** 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 in U.S.A. at 1-800-243-4630. In Canada, call Technical Service at 1-800-267-4414. If there is any drainage from your ear or you have an ear infection, consult with your physician before wearing earplugs. Failure to do so may result in hearing loss or injury.