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# **3M<sup>™</sup> E-A-Rcaps<sup>™</sup>** Banded Earplugs

## **Technical datasheet**

## **Product description**

The 3M<sup>™</sup> E-A-Rcaps<sup>™</sup> banded earplugs are fitted with ear tips designed to seal the entrance part of the ear canal (semi-aural) to help reduce exposure to harmful levels of noise. 3M<sup>™</sup> E-A-Rcaps<sup>™</sup> hearing protectors are approved for use in under-the-chin (U-T-C) wearing mode only.

These earplugs may be used for protection against moderate noise environments, providing effective protection against all test frequencies. Please refer to the attenuation table for further details.

## **Key features**

- SNR 24 dB
- A lightweight alternative to earmuffs (mass = 8 g)
- The flexible band is worn under the chin which helps compatibility with other PPE such as safety helmets
- Ideal for intermittent wear, the band can be easily stored around the neck when not in use
- Flexible and durable band that can be washed and reused multiple times
- Soft foam eartip provides a good acoustic seal and improved comfort
- Replacement eartips are available (ES-01-300 / ES-01-301)
- Compatible with the 3M<sup>™</sup> E-A-Rfit<sup>™</sup> Dual-Ear Validation System

#### Standard and approval:

This product is in compliance with appropriate Directives or Regulations to fulfill the requirements for the CE and/or UKCA marking.

The full text of the Declaration of Conformity is available at the following internet address: www.3M.com/hearing/certs.

#### **Materials**

Band	Polycarbonate
Ear tips	Polyurethene foam

#### **Head Size Range**

S/M/L

#### **Attenuation values:**

Under the chin (U-T-C) wearing mode



	Frequency (Hz) <i>f</i>								н	м	L	SNR
	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000				
Mf (dB)	20.6	19.4	19.2	18.4	21.2	29.9	37.7	39.3	28.3	21.5	19.7	25.0
Sf (dB)	3.2	4.6	1.9	2.2	2.3	4.0	4.9	3.5	2.2	1.7	1.5	1.5
APVf (dB)	17.4	14.8	17.3	16.2	18.9	25.9	32.8	35.8	26	20	18	24

#### Key:

f = Test frequency

Mf = Mean attenuation value

Sf = Standard deviation

APVf (Mf - Sf) = Assumed Protection Value

H = High-frequency attenuation value

(predicted noise level reduction for noise with LC - LA = -2dB)

M = Medium-frequency attenuation value (predicted noise level reduction for noise with LC - LA = +2dB)

L = Low-frequency attenuation value

(predicted noise level reduction for noise with LC - LA = +10dB)

SNR = Single Number Rating (the value that is subtracted from the measured C-weighted sound pressure level, LC in order to estimate the effective A-weighted sound pressure level inside the ear)

Information on Shelf life and service life can be found in the User Instructions.

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