

## Why Oi?

### Simple

No training, no math, no complicated measurements. If you can hear the continuous sound clearly over the noise in the background, the noise in the workplace is below 80dB, no action is required as outlined in the new safety regulations.

### Easy

Pull the pin, hold 40 cm from the ear and...listen. What could be easier?

### Small and Light

Measuring only 5cm long x 3.5 cm wide x 1cm deep + weighing less than gram, it can be carried anywhere and everywhere

### Designed by a Safety Professional

The Oi has been designed by a safety professional; to make life easier. Using the Oi ANYONE can now easily identify noise hazards in the workplace.

### Unique

With worldwide patents pending, the Oi is unique in its simplest answer to an often complex problem.



**NOISE TESTING MADE EASY  
AND AFFORDABLE**

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## Noise at Work Regulations

### The Control of Noise at Work Regulations 2005

The Noise Regulations 2005 require employers to prevent or reduce risks to health and safety from exposure to noise at work. Employees have duties under the regulations too.

The regulations require you as an employer to:

- Assess the risks to your employees from noise at work
- Take action to reduce the noise exposure that reduces those risks
- Provide your employees with hearing protection if you cannot reduce the noise exposure enough by using other methods
- Make sure the legal limits on noise exposure are not exceeded
- Provide your employees with information, instruction and training
- Carry out health surveillance where there is a risk to health

The regulations do not apply to:

Members of the public exposed to noise from their non work activities, or making an informed choice to go to noisy places low-level noise which is a nuisance but causes no risk of hearing damage.

Do you have a noise problem at work?

This will depend on how loud the noise is and how long people are exposed to it. A simple guide you will probably need to something about the noise if any of the following apply:

- Is the noise intrusive for most of the working day?
- Do you use noisy powered tools or machinery for more than half an hour each day?
- Noise can also be a safety hazard at work, interfering with communication and making warnings harder to hear.

## Noise testing made easy and affordable

The focus of these new regulations is for the employer to take action to manage the risk of noise through good practice and controls instead of getting tied up with exposure calculations. The latest HSE guidance contains a list of simple tests that employers can use to make a rough estimate to discover whether they have a noise risk and if they need to do a full noise risk assessment. One of these noise hazard tests is:

*"If conversation at 2 m is possible, but the noise is intrusive for more than about six hours per day the noise level is probably 80 dB or more"*

Oi Noise, is a new and simple product created by a safety professional, that solves this problem, just activate and listen, if you can't hear the Oi noise tool clearly then the background noise will be above 80dB. Oi is being used by safety professionals in companies such as NHS, Metronet Rail, Clear Channel, Balfour Beatty, Earls Court and many, many more.