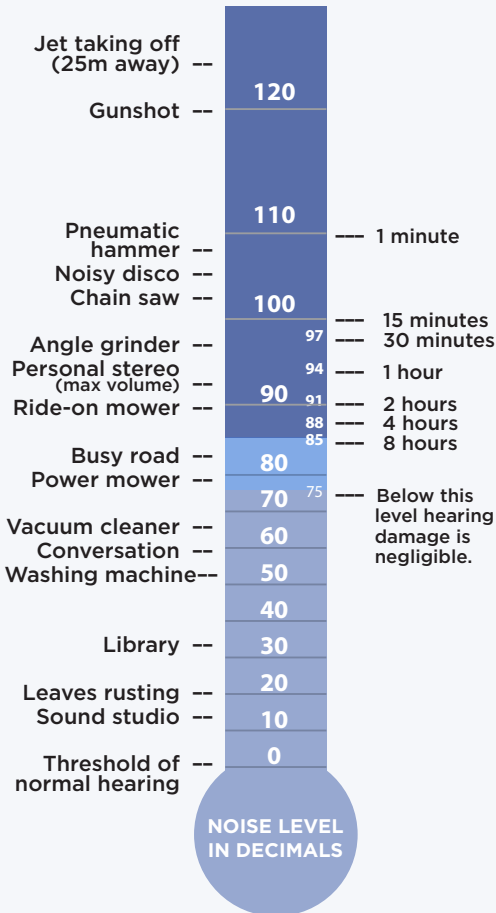




Hear the **FACTS** about **NOISE-INDUCED HEARING LOSS**

Diagnosis and Treatment

NOISE LEVEL IMPACT



The above noise levels are approximate and should only be taken as a guide.

What is Noise-Induced Hearing Loss (NIHL)?

- Hearing loss caused by damage to inner ear hair cells which normally convert sound into electrical signals that travel to the brain.
- A potentially permanent hearing loss that affects tens of millions of patients, especially those who are exposed daily to high noise levels.
- Hearing loss that can be prevented by avoiding continuous exposure to loud sounds and/or protecting your ears from loud sound.

What causes NIHL?

- Single exposure to loud “impulse” sound such as firecrackers or firearms.
- Frequent and long duration of exposure to loud sounds such as in industry, loud music, power tools, lawn mowers or firearms.

Symptoms:

- Feelings of pressure or fullness.
- Sound seems distorted, muffled or distant.
- Ringing sound in the ears, especially in quiet listening environments.

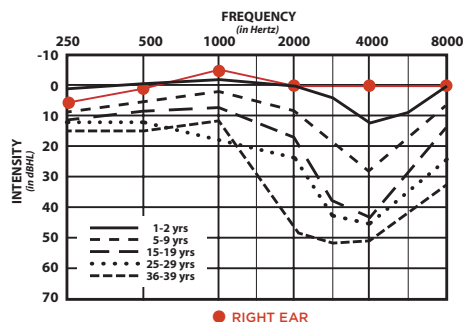
Diagnosis:

- Talk with your Hearing Healthcare Provider about problems you’re experiencing in daily listening environments.
- Learn about proper selection of ear protection.

How can you reduce NIHL?

- Minimize exposure to loud sounds, such as reducing the volume when listening to television or music.
- Wear hearing protection when exposed to loud sounds for a long time.

AUDIOGRAM



HAIR CELLS



TAKE CONTROL of your HEARING HEALTH

3 Important Steps:

★ YOUR RESEARCH

For information on Noise-Induced Hearing Loss, please visit:

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- www.audiology.org
- www.betterhearing.org
- www.hearingloss.org

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★ YOUR IMPORTANT QUESTIONS:

By writing down your concerns, our valuable time together will provide the best results.

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