

Test Report # T12191-01-1 Issue 1 ANSI S3.19 - 1974 Zhejiang Nicety Technology Co., Ltd. NTR – Ear Muffs 09 March 2018

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Objective:

Contract testing according to ANSI S3.19 – 1974 "Ear Muffs".

Sample(s):

Model No./Name:	NTR (ear muff) / NTR (industrial safety helmet)		
	(Red and Yellow Ear Defenders Ear Muffs)		
Product Type:	Ear Muff attached to Industrial Safety Helmet		
Quantity:	5/5		
Date(s) Received from Client:	08 February 2018		
Date(s) Submitted for Testing:	21 February 2018		

Summary:

Test Report: *	Q4852A (3 pages)
Date Samples Received:	22 February 2018
Date of Report:	08 March 2018
Date(s) of Test:	22 February 2018 – 08 March 2018
Test Subjects Used:	10
Tested Position:	Cap Mounted
Rating Calculation:	24 dB

Note: Ear muffs were mounted onto helmets by testing laboratory

ANSI S3 19 - 1974	Compliant	Non-Compliant
ANSI S3.19 - 1974	X	

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Hearing Protective Device Test Report Number Q4852A Revision 0

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Date of Report: 3/8/18

Date of testing: 2/22/18-3/8/18 Date of Sample Receipt: 2/22/18



Technician: Eileen Kline

Attenuation measurements have been performed according to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Specifications, ANSI S3.19-1974, using the experimenter-fit protocol, on the ICS Client NTR cap-mounted muff-type hearing protector (test ID Q4852A). The specified threshold measurement data were obtained using ten normally-hearing listeners, six male and four female. These listeners were selected from a standby group of about 35 volunteers who regularly serve as listeners for measurements of this kind.

The measurements were made in a room designed for this purpose. All acoustic characteristics of the room meet the requirements outlined in ANSI S3.19-1974. The ambient noise levels in this room are below the limits specified in ANSI S3.19-1974, and open ear thresholds are used on a continuing basis to monitor the background noise levels. An automatic recording attenuator was used to record both open and occluded ear thresholds.

Each of ten subjects was tested three times at each of nine test frequencies. The attached Tables show grand mean attenuation values in decibels (dB) for each test signal along with group attenuation values. Standard deviations (S.D.) for the 30 different attenuation determinations for each test signal are also given. The results presented in this report pertain to the samples tested only.

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Use these laboratory-derived attenuation data for comparison purposes only. The amount of protection afforded in field use is often significantly lower depending on how the protectors are fitted and worn.

Kevin Michael, Ph.D., President

Date

Individual and Summary Attenuation Data for **Hearing Protective Devices**

NTR

MEANS

STD. DEV.

16.9

2.7

20.5

2.1

28.1

3.0

Position: Cap-mount Test Method: ANSI S3.19-1974

Test ID:

Q4852A

3/8/18 Date: Manufacturer: ICS Client

Model: Attenuation in dB Center Frequency in Hz **SUBJECT**

37.0

2.8

NRR = dB Headband force = 2.3 lbs

37.0

2.7

37.0

3.1

32.4

2.6

35.1

1.8

35.3

3.2

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Manufacturer:

ICS Client

Date:

3/8/18

Model:

NTR

Test ID: Position: Cap-mount

Q4852A

Measurements were made according to American National Standards Institute Specifications ANSI S3.19-1974.

Mean Attenuation	Group Attenuation	Standard Deviation
in dB	in dB	in dB
16.9	37.4	2.7
20.5		2.1
28.1		3.0
37.0		2.8
37.0	174.3	2.7
37.0		3.1
35.1		1.8
32.4	67.8	2.6
35.3		3.2
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Test Item: Q4852A





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Date 3/8/18



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