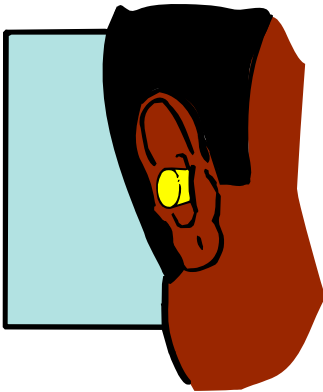


What's all the noise about?

Control of Noise at Work Regulations 2005 *Now Apply to the Entertainment Sector*


The aim of the Noise Regulations is to ensure that workers' hearing is protected from excessive noise at their place of work, which could cause them to lose their hearing &/or suffer from tinnitus (permanent ringing in the ears)



Regulations apply from 6th April 2008 to:

All premises where live &/or recorded music is played in a restaurant, bar, public house, discotheque or night club, or alongside live music or a live dramatic or dance performance.

What you need to do as an employer -

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

Further information is available @:

www.soundadvice.info (available from July 2008)
www.hse.gov.uk/noise

Or by calling:
Herefordshire Council, Environmental Health
(Commercial Team)
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