

Tinnitus History Questionnaire

This questionnaire is designed to find out what sort of effects tinnitus has had on your lifestyle, general well-being, etc. Some of the effects below may apply to you, some may not. Please answer **all** questions with the response that best reflects how your tinnitus has affected you.

Name:

Date:

Nature of the Tinnitus

How does the tinnitus sound?				
Usual site of the tinnitus?	Left + Right	Left worse than Right	Right worse than Left	Central
Is the tinnitus constant or intermittent?				
Does the tinnitus fluctuate in intensity or loudness?				
What makes your tinnitus worse?				
What makes your tinnitus better?				

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When did you first become aware of your tinnitus?	
When did your tinnitus first become disturbing?	
Under what circumstances did the tinnitus start?	
What do you consider to have started the tinnitus?	
Who have you consulted about your tinnitus?	
What have previous professionals said your tinnitus is due to?	

What treatments have you tried for your tinnitus? Please tick box

None Hearing Aid Masker TRT Counselling Music Therapy

Other - please provide more detail _____

How successful did you find these treatments?

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Have you ever:

	Y/N		Details/Comments
Been exposed to gunfire or explosion?	Yes	No	
• How often were you exposed?			
• Did you wear hearing protection?			
Attended loud events? (e.g. concerts, clubs)	Yes	No	
Had any noisy jobs?	Yes	No	
Had any noisy hobbies or home activities?	Yes	No	
Had any head injuries or concussion?	Yes	No	
Had any operations involving your ear or head?	Yes	No	
Used solvents, thinners or alcohol based cleaners?	Yes	No	
Taken any of the following medications:			
• Quinine, Quinidine, Streptomycin, Kanamycin, Dihydristreptomycin, Neomycin	Yes	No	

Do you:

	Y/N		Details/Comments
Have loose dentures, jaw pain or grinding and clicking sensations in the jaw?	Yes	No	
Regularly take aspirin or dispirin?	Yes	No	
Have any feelings of ear pressure or blockage?	Yes	No	
Do you find exposure to moderately loud sounds make your tinnitus worse?	Yes	No	
What is your current occupation?	Yes	No	

General Hearing Problems

	Y/N		Details/Comments
Do you have any difficulties hearing when there is background noise?	Yes	No	
Do you have difficulties understanding in one-to-one conversations?	Yes	No	
Do you have difficulties hearing the TV?	Yes	No	
Do you have difficulties hearing on the telephone?	Yes	No	
Do you have any dizziness or balance problems?	Yes	No	
Do you find external sounds unpleasant or uncomfortable?	Yes	No	
Do you dislike certain external sounds?	Yes	No	
Do you wear ear protection / ear plugs?	Yes	No	

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Please rank the auditory problems you experience from most troublesome (1) to least troublesome (3)

Hearing Loss

Tinnitus

Sensitivity to Loud Sounds

Effect of the Tinnitus

Y/N

Details/Comments

Does your tinnitus prevent you from getting to sleep at night?

Yes

No

How many times per night did you awake in the last week?

Yes

No

How has tinnitus affected your work life?

Yes

No

How has tinnitus affected your home life?

Yes

No

How has tinnitus affected your social activities?

Yes

No

General Health

What is your general health like?

Are you taking any medications?
If yes, please specify.

Yes

No

Compensation

Y/N

Details/Comments

Are you currently pursuing any form of compensation, sickness benefit, DVA, motor vehicle accident claim or any other legal action in relation to your tinnitus?

Yes

No

Medical Contact Details

Name and Address of GP

Name and Address of ENT

I give consent to release results to my GP /ENT

Signed:

Is there anything else you would like to add that might be relevant to understanding what caused your tinnitus?
