

To: All flyers on NASA science missions

Participants and each participant's employer or sponsoring organization must understand that the NASA DC-8 exposes flyers to hazardous noise levels that require enrollment in Hearing Conservation Program (HCP) according to OSHA Regulation 29 CFR 1910.95. All flight participants are required to use hearing protection devices at all times when the aircraft engines are running. Both earplugs and noise canceling headsets are available to participants flying on the NASA DC-8. Using the provided hearing protection equipment lowers noise exposure to levels below OSHA limits for the flight endurance times achievable by the DC-8.

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