



HEARING LOSS AND TINNITUS

PURETONE THRESHOLD AVERAGE FOUR FREQUENCIES

A calibrated guide to service connection, audiology evidence, and VA rating rules.

CALIBRATED REFERENCE

FOUR POINTS TO UNDERSTAND

1000

FIRST THRESHOLD

Record the decibel threshold at 1000 Hz.

2000

SECOND THRESHOLD

Add the threshold at 2000 Hz.

3000

THIRD THRESHOLD

Add the threshold at 3000 Hz.

4000

DIVIDE BY FOUR

Add the 4000 Hz threshold, then divide the four-frequency sum by four for each ear.

Apply the exact regulation and evidence to the individual record. A diagnosis, exposure, or test result does not replace the remaining service-connection elements.

