## Apprentice & Journeymen Training Trust Fund Of the Southern California Plumbing & Piping Industry

## **Hearing Protection Policy & Procedure**

- 1. Hearing protection must be worn in shop areas at all times.
  - Hearing protection may be removed during class lecture or instructions, if work has not yet begun or has been brought to a halt by the Instructor.
  - Hearing protection must be in place before work resumes.
- 2. Tasks requiring hearing protection include, but are not limited to:
  - Grinding.
  - Hammer drilling.
  - Chipping.
  - Torch cutting.
  - Cutting with chop saw or circular saw.
  - Using powder actuated tools.

The need for hearing protection can be roughly determined by the need to raise your voice to talk to someone only three (3) feet away.

Refer to Figure 1-2 P.P.E. Common Sound Decibel (dB) Levels.