

# Characterizing anthropogenic noise to improve understanding and management of impacts to wildlife

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Table S1: Overview and relationships of the properties of sound in air and water

Example acoustic signal (at 1 m)	In air	In water
<b>Acoustic Pressure</b> ( $p$ ) units: $\mu\text{Pa}$ ( $\text{kg}/\text{ms}^2$ ) force per unit area	0.2 Pa 200000 $\mu\text{Pa}$	0.2 Pa 200000 $\mu\text{Pa}$
<b>Frequency</b> ( $f$ ) units: cycles per second (Hz)	10 Hz	10 Hz
Properties of the medium (at 20°C)		
<b>Density</b> ( $\rho$ ) units: $\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$	1.20 $\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$	998.20 $\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$
<b>Elasticity</b> ( $E$ ) units: Pascal ( $\text{kg}/\text{ms}^2$ )	141,649.00 Pa	2,225,036,712.00 Pa
Characteristics of motion		
<b>Speed of Sound</b> ( $c$ ) units: m/s $c = \sqrt{E/\rho}$	343.57 m/s	1,493.00 m/s
<b>Wavelength</b> ( $\lambda$ ) units: m $\lambda = c/f$	34.36 m	149.30 m
<b>Acoustic Impedance</b> ( $Z$ ) units: $\text{kg}/\text{sm}^2$ $Z = \rho * c$	412.28 $\text{kg}/\text{sm}^2$	1,490,312.60 $\text{kg}/\text{sm}^2$
Quantative descriptions of acoustic signals		
<b>Acoustic Intensity</b> ( $I$ ) units: $\text{Watts}/\text{m}^2$ (power per unit area in a stated direction) $\  I \  = \text{Pa}^2/Z$	9.70E-05 $\text{Watts}/\text{m}^2$	2.68E-08 $\text{Watts}/\text{m}^2$
<b>Reference Intensity</b> ( $I_{\text{ref}}$ ) units: $\text{Watts}/\text{m}^2$ (power per unit area in a stated direction) $\  I_{\text{ref}} \  = (\text{Pa}_{\text{ref}}^2)/Z$	9.70E-13 $\text{Watts}/\text{m}^2$	6.71E-19 $\text{Watts}/\text{m}^2$

<b>Sound Intensity Level (dB)</b> dimensionless ratio $\text{dB} = 10\log_{10}(I/I_{\text{ref}})$	80 dB re 20 $\mu\text{Pa}$	106 dB re 1 $\mu\text{Pa}$
<b>Reference Pressure (<math>\text{Pa}_{\text{ref}}</math>)</b> units: $\mu\text{Pa}$ or Pa ( $\text{kg}/\text{ms}^2$ ) force per unit area	0.00002 Pa	0.000001 Pa
	20 $\mu\text{Pa}$	1 $\mu\text{Pa}$
<b>Sound Pressure Level (dB)</b> dimensionless ratio $\text{dB} = 10\log_{10}(\mu\text{Pa}^2/\mu\text{Pa}_{\text{ref}}^2)$	80 dB re 20 $\mu\text{Pa}$	106 dB re 1 $\mu\text{Pa}$
<b>Difference from reference pressure</b>	$\text{dB}_{\text{water}} - \text{dB}_{\text{air}}$	26.00 dB
<b>Difference from impedance</b>	$10\log_{10}(Z_{\text{water}}/Z_{\text{air}})$	35.58 dB
<b>Total difference</b>		61.58 dB