



# Tinnitus Handicap Inventory

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS:** The purpose of this questionnaire is to identify difficulties that you may be experiencing because of your tinnitus. Please answer every question. Please do not skip any questions.

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| 1. Because of your tinnitus, is it difficult for you to concentrate?                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. Does the loudness of your tinnitus make it difficult for you to hear people?                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 3. Does your tinnitus make you angry?                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 4. Does your tinnitus make you feel confused?                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 5. Because of your tinnitus, do you feel desperate?                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 6. Do you complain a great deal about your tinnitus?                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 7. Because of your tinnitus, do you have trouble falling asleep at night?                                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 8. Do you feel as though you cannot escape your tinnitus?                                                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 9. Does your tinnitus interfere with your ability to enjoy your social activities (such as going out to dinner or to the movies)? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 10. Because of your tinnitus, do you feel frustrated?                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 11. Because of your tinnitus, do you feel you have a terrible disease?                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 12. Does your tinnitus make it difficult for you to enjoy life?                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 13. Does your tinnitus interfere with your job or household responsibilities?                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 14. Because of your tinnitus, do you find that you are often irritable?                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 15. Because of your tinnitus, is it difficult for you to read?                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 16. Does your tinnitus make you upset?                                                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 17. Do you feel your tinnitus has placed stress on your relationships with members of your family and friends?                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 18. Do you find it difficult to focus your attention away from your tinnitus and onto other things?                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 19. Do you feel you have no control over your tinnitus?                                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 20. Because of your tinnitus, do you often feel tired?                                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 21. Because of your tinnitus, do you feel depressed?                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 22. Does your tinnitus make you feel anxious?                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 23. Do you feel you can no longer cope with your tinnitus?                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 24. Does your tinnitus get worse when you are under stress?                                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 25. Does your tinnitus make you feel insecure?                                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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<b>Total Per Column</b>							
	<b>x4</b>	<b>x2</b>	<b>x0</b>				
<b>Total Score</b>		+		+		=	