

Tips & Tricks: At Home Earmold Cut and Fit

New earmolds come with a longer tube with extra material that must be measured and cut to ensure a secure fit on the hearing aid. Audiologists can cut and measure the tubing, or some families opt to cut the tubing at home. To cut and adjust an earmold at home, follow the steps below:

- 1.** Insert the earmold (with the long tubing). Ensure the earmold fits snug before trimming the tubing. Check for gaps around the edges of the earmold in the ear.
- 2.** Leave the earmold in the ear. Place the hearing aid behind the ear, as it is typically worn.
- 3.** Place the tubing against the earhook. Mark on the tubing where the tube intersects with the top ridge of the hearing aid's earhook/ tonehook.
- 4.** Remove the earmold from the ear, and cut the tubing right above the mark. Be careful not to trim off too much. You can always cut more if the tube is too long, but you cannot undo trimming if the tubing is too short!
- 5.** Attach the earmold to the hearing aid. Push the tubing up until it is flat against the earhook's ridge (see step 3).
- 6.** Check the fit by placing the hearing aid and earmold on the ear. If the tubing is too long, measure, mark and trim again. If the tubing is too short, contact your audiologist to have the earmold re-tubed.



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