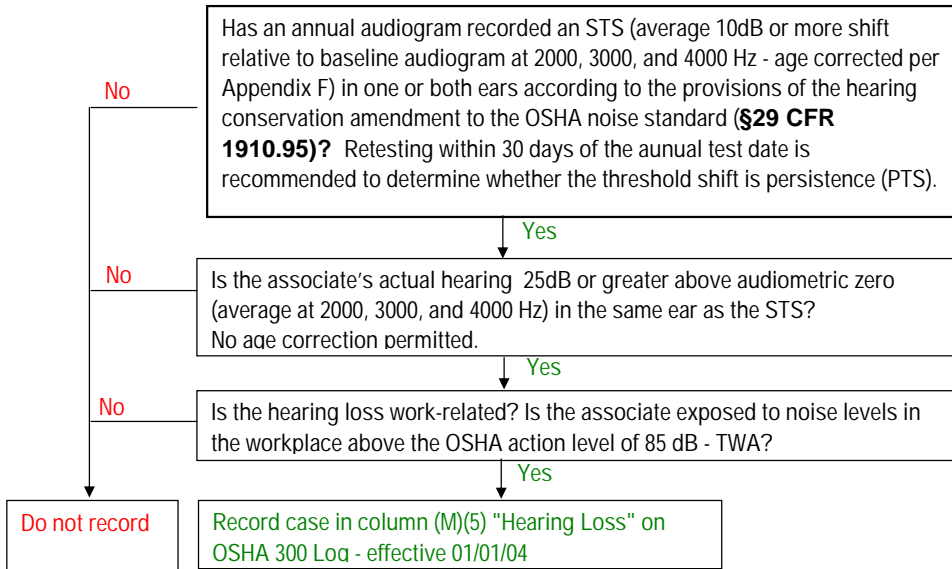


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Use this decision tree to determine whether the results of an audiometric examination given on or after January 1, 2003 reveals a recordable STS/PTS



Note: The current audiometric results may be compared with the original baseline audiogram taken when the employee was first placed in a hearing conservation program - or the revised baseline audiogram as prescribed in 29 CFR 1910.95. These determinations are not affected by whether or not the employee previously experienced recordable hearing loss.

Note: If a retest is performed at any time following the determination of a recordable STS, and the STS is **not confirmed as persistent**, the case is no longer recordable and **may be lined out or erased**. When retesting does not confirm persistence, the STS may be redefined as a Temporary Threshold Shift (TTS).

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