

PRODUCT REVIEW BY CHRIS MAIDA

# CUSTOM-FIT EAR PROTECTION

## Say goodbye to those expanding foam earplugs

BACK IN THE DECEMBER 2005 ISSUE, JOE AND I did a review of E.A.R. Inc.'s custom-made earplugs. I went with the Insta-Molds, which are medical-grade, hypoallergenic silicone earplugs that are molded to fit all the curves and twists of my ears. Almost a year later, they're still flexible and soft, and they do a great job of keeping wind noise from damaging my already questionable hearing. (All those years of drag pipes and airplane engines have taken their toll. And then there's that wonderful ringing sound.)

But as good as these plugs are, I like to hear some tunes as I travel. However, I'm not a bagger/radio kind of guy. I'm usually on a chopper, Pro-Street, bobber, Dyna, or something else that does not have a place (nor should it) for speakers, a radio, etc. The solution? E.A.R. Inc.'s Sports Monitors. This slick speaker system is in a set of



E.A.R.'s plugs, and it works with any MP3, iPod, XM receiver, or standard music player. Just plug the Sports Monitors into your favorite tune source, just like any other set of headphones, and you're good to go. Unlike normal headphones, Sports Monitors provide a 27dB background noise reduction to keep bike exhaust and wind noise at bay via its soft, hydrophobic silicone earplugs, while giving very good sound quality. Protection and musical/audio enjoyment, all with a 30-day money-back guarantee. Nice. AIM

### SOURCES

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