

Follow the steps below to identify and operate neckloop systems.

#### **Definition**

Neckloops plug into assisted listening devices and are worn around the neck of someone who has a hearing aid with a telecoil. A neckloop antenna is a loop of plastic-covered wire around 18 to 30 inches in length, connected to a standard 3.5mm headphone jack.



### **Benefits**

- Using a neckloop is comfortable, convenient, and inconspicuous.
- Alongside compatibility with many hearing aids, a neckloop can make most electronic devices telecoilcompatible (including smartphones, laptops, MP3 players, and modern digital assistive audio receivers).

# **How Neckloops Work**

- A teleloop hearing impaired system allows cinema sound to be transmitted directly to a hearing aid with a telecoil receiver (sometimes referred to as "t-coil").
- The telecoil is a special antenna within the device that picks up short-range broadcast signals.
- The device converts these signals to audible sound played directly into the ear.

### **Connecting a Neckloop**

Connecting to a guest's device:

- 1. Like headphones, connect the neckloop's plug to the jack of the device being used.
- 2. The guest then puts the loop around their neck so that it sits on the shoulders, close to the ears.



## Connecting to a Fidelio Receiver:

- 1. **Program** the receiver using the tablet to the correct auditorium, amenity, and channel (either 1 or 2 for the specific film title).
- 2. **Plug** the neckloop device in to the receiver's 3.5mm audio jack. Note that some guests may bring their own neckloop or request to utilize one during their visit.
- 3. For detailed programming instructions, **refer** to Fidelio Audio Receiver<sup>i</sup>.

### Connecting to legacy body worn receivers:

- A body-worn Legacy Assisted Listening Device that receives hearing impaired audio from infrared transmitters in the auditorium generally will have a 3.5mm headphone jack.
- Neckloops can be plugged into these receivers just as they are a Fidelio audio receiver.



# **Ordering Neckloops**

Neckloops can be ordered on Cinema Solutions through the Booth/IMAX/Assistive Listening order guide. Item # is LOOPWMS3.5.

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