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Question: Some manufacturers of custom moulded earplugs offer fit test systems that can be used by the customers of the earplugs, e.g. by safety engineers in the companies where custom moulded earplugs are in use. The individual tests are then performed without the presence of the manufacturer. What requirements have to be fulfilled by such systems?		
Solution: The systems shall fulfil the requirements listed below, assessed by the notified body. See RfU 04.045 for reference on fit tests for custom moulded earplugs. See EN 17479:2021 for guidance on the application of individual fit test systems.		