

Sec. 13-94. Noise; Sound Amplifying Equipment

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to practice, play, or conduct live band activities using sound amplifying equipment or to use Radios, Televisions, Boomboxes, Phono-graphs, Stereos, Musical Instruments and Similar Devices: in such a manner that the noise level produced exceeds 55dBA. The noise shall be measured at a distance of at least twenty five feet (25') from the property line of the property on which the noise source is located.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to use any of the following: Radio, Television, Boomboxes, Phono-graphs, Stereos, Musical Instruments and similar devices to create or permit excessive and unreasonably loud or raucous noise. It shall be presumed that such noise is unreasonably loud or raucous when such noise is plainly audible at a distance of 50 feet from the property line or location where such noise is being generated.

(1) The use or operation of a radio, television, boombox, stereo, musical instrument, or similar device that produces or reproduces sound in a manner that is plainly audible to any person other than the player(s) or operator(s) of the device, and those who are voluntarily listening to the sound, and unreasonably disturbs the peace, quiet, and comfort of neighbors in residential or noise sensitive areas, including multi-family or single-family dwellings. It shall be presumed that a sound that is plainly audible to a person at a distance of more than 50 feet of the source unreasonably disturbs the peace, quiet and comfort of neighbors in residential or noise sensitive areas.

(c) Loudspeakers, Amplifiers, Public Address Systems, and Similar Devices: The unreasonably loud and raucous use or operation of a loudspeaker, amplifier, public address system, or other device for producing or reproducing sound between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. on weekdays, and 11:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. on weekends and holidays in the following areas:

(1) Within or adjacent to residential or noise-sensitive areas;

(2) Within public space if the sound is plainly audible across the real property line of the public space from which the sound emanates, and is unreasonably loud and raucous.

This shall not apply to any public performance, gathering, or parade for which a permit has been obtained from the City.

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