

CHAPTER 53

NOISE

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53.01 DEFINITIONS. The following definitions apply to this chapter:

1. “Amplified sound” means to increase sound in intensity and duration by electrical or mechanical means.
2. “Noise disturbance” means any noise which unreasonably disturbs, injures, or endangers the comfort, health, peace, or safety of reasonable persons with ordinary sensitivity.
3. “Sound production device” means radio, tape player, disc player, loudspeaker, digital audio player, portable media player or other electric or mechanical device that produces or reproduces sound.

53.02 NOISE MAKING PROHIBITED. No person shall use amplified sound or create a noise disturbance or operate a sound production device that is audible by any person across a real property line or a distance of 50 feet or more, for more than 30 continuous seconds.

53.03 NOISE MAKING RESTRICTED HOURS. No person shall operate a motor vehicle or equipment, or load, unload, open, close, or handle boxes, crates, containers, building materials, garbage cans, or similar objects outdoors between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. the following morning so to create a noise disturbance across the property line of residentially zoned property.

53.04 EXCEPTIONS. This ordinance does not apply to: emergencies, snow removal, reasonable activities on public playgrounds, equipment used for public health and safety, reasonable sounds from places of religious worship, parades, drying equipment at a grain elevator, and City contracted garbage collection.

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