

Section 5-12 Particular Noise (Amend. 11/16/93)

The following are declared to be illustrations of noises prohibited under the foregoing section, and are hereby declared to be unlawful, but this list shall not be exhaustive:

- (1) The playing of any radio, television, tape recorder, phonograph, or similar electronic device or any musical instrument so as to disturb the comfort, quiet or repose of persons in any place of residence or so as to interfere substantially with the operations of any church, school, theater, library or other similar place of assembly.
- (2) The use of any drum, loudspeaker, or other amplification instrument or device for the purpose of attracting attention by the creation of noise to any performance, show, ale, display, advertisement of merchandise, or other commercial venture.
- (3) Any party or assembly of persons in a dwelling unit or on residential premises producing loud and raucous noise after 11:00 p.m. that tend to disturb the comfort, quiet, or repose of persons in other dwelling units or on other residential premise. The person in possession of the premises where such a part or assembly of persons takes place shall be deemed responsible for the emission of loud and raucous noises under this subdivision. (Amend. 4/27/82)
- (4) The operation or use of any of the following tools, machinery, or equipment, when such operation or use takes place (i) outside of a fully enclosed structure; and (ii) within 300 feet of a residentially occupied structure that is not in the possession of the party responsible for the noise at issue; and (iii) after sunset on any day or before 7:00 a.m. on any day except Sunday and before 12:00 noon on Sunday. However, this prohibition shall not apply when work must take place on an emergency basis for health or safety reasons, or when work is undertaken within a public street right-of-way by (i) a utility pursuant to an encroachment agreement, (ii) the town, or (iii) the North Carolina Department of Transportation. (Amend. 1/16/2001)
 - (a) Earth moving or clearing power equipment.
 - (a) Chain saws, brush cutters, wood chippers, or similar power equipment.
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 - (a) Power driven hammers or jackhammers.
- ~~(5) The barking, howling, whining, crying, crowing, or other noise making of any animal that occurs essentially unabated for a period of at least five minutes on at least three occasions during the hours between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. (Amend. 9/24/02)~~