Chapter 75. Noise

§ 75-4. Excessive noise prohibited.

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A. No person shall make, continue, cause, or suffer or permit to be made or continued, and the owner and the person in control of a motor vehicle and the person in control of a premises shall not suffer nor permit to be made or continued, any excessive noise. It shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section if noise emanating from any source, including, but not limited to, voices or other sounds caused or emitted by humans, is:

(1) Audible beyond the property line of the premises from which it emanates between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.

(2) Audible at a distance of 50 feet beyond the property line of the premises from which it emanates between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.

(3) Audible at a distance of 50 feet from the source if emanating from a public street, public park or other public place.

B. The provisions of this section shall not apply to noise emanating from the following:

(1) Sources or activities regulated by §§ 75-7, 75-8, 75-9, 75-10, 75-12, 75-13 and 75-15 of this chapter, and §§ 27-9A and 31-5 of the Municipal Code.

(2) Festivals, parades, block parties and other special events where a permit has been obtained from the Office of Special Events for such purpose.

(3) Political or religious activities or the operation or use of any organ, bell, chimes or other similar instrument from on or within any church, synagogue, temple, mosque or other house of worship.

(4) Any permitted athletic competition or recreational event held on athletic fields, stadiums or public places in the City.

(5) Lawn mowers, hedge trimmers, leaf blowers, chain saws, tillers, mulchers, chippers and other devices used for the care and maintenance of lawns, yards and vegetation, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and sunset.

(6) Air conditioners.

(7) Snowblowers, snowthrowers or snowplows.

(8) Emergency generators.

(9) Manufacturing operations.

C. Any motor vehicle used in connection with the commission of a violation of this section shall be towed in accordance with § 111-75 of the Municipal Code.