

Construction Site Noise - Information Sheet

General

Work that creates noise on a building site can be carried out between 7am and 7pm on Monday to Saturday (excluding public holidays) provided that:

- The equipment is the quietest reasonably available, and
- Construction work is carried out in accordance with the control of environmental noise practices set out the section 6 of the Australian Standard 2436 – 1981.

It is important to note that this exemption only applies to construction noise and not stereo music being played at the construction site.

Should the Building Company determine that it is necessary for construction work to be conducted out of the abovementioned hours (excluding Sundays and public holidays), a Noise Management Plan must be prepared and submitted to the Town for assessment and approval.

The Noise Management Plan must include details of:

- The need for the construction work to be done out of hours;
- The types of activity that may be noisy;
- Noise level predictions;
- Proposed noise and vibration control measures;
- Proposed methods of noise and vibration monitoring;
- Complaint response procedures.

Penalties

All builders and trades persons are reminded that these requirements are state law and applicable to the whole of Western Australia.

- Infringement notices may be issued. The infringement carries a first offence penalty of \$250, with any subsequent offences \$500.
- Noise Abatement Directions may be issued to those persons who undertake out of hours noisy operations.
- Failure to comply with these directions may attract a maximum penalty of \$25,000 through the Courts.

Do you need further information?

If you require further information please contact the Town's Health Services on 9377 8000.