

# Maximum Permissible Sound Levels by Receiving Property

## ISSAQUAH NOISE CONTROL

NOTE: Issaquah's Municipal Code incorporates key elements of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Issaquah's entire Municipal Code is here - <https://www.codepublishing.com/WA/Issaquah/> Issaquah's Municipal Code excerpt regarding noise control is 18.07.136 and is located here: <https://www.codepublishing.com/WA/Issaquah/html/Issaquah18/Issaquah1807.html#18.07.136>

### ISSAQUAH 18.07.136 Noise Control Ordinance.

WAC Sections Adopted by Reference: The City adopts the following sections of Chapter 173-60 WAC, as now existing or hereinafter amended, by reference:

#### WAC sections adopted by Issaquah

173-60-020 Definitions.

173-60-030 Identification of environments (NOTE: (a) Class A EDNA - Lands where human beings reside and sleep).

173-60-040 Maximum permissible environmental noise levels (see excerpt below).

173-60-050 Exemptions.

B. No mechanical equipment shall be operated so as to produce noise in levels above the limits specified in subsection A of this section as measured from the nearest property line of the parcel on which the equipment is located. Manufacturer's specifications may be required to be submitted to the Development Services Department prior to issuance of the Building Permit. Verification that the maximum level is not being exceeded may also be required after construction, but prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy.

C. Emergency Situations: The provisions of this section do not apply in an emergency as defined by the City's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. (Ord. 2670 § 2 (Exh. A), 2013).

#### WAC 173-60-040 -- Maximum permissible environmental noise levels. (excerpts of key provisions)

<http://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-60-040>

(1) No person shall cause or permit noise to intrude into the property of another person which noise exceeds the maximum permissible noise levels set forth below in this section.

(2)(a) The noise limitations established are as set forth in the following table after any applicable adjustments provided for herein are applied.

EDNA of Noise Source	EDNA of Receiving Property		
	Class A	Class B	Class C
Class A	55 dBA	57 dBA	60 dBA
Class B	57 dBA	60 dBA	65 dBA
Class C	60 dBA	65 dBA	70 dBA

Note: "EDNA" means "Environmental Designation for Noise Abatement." EDNA Class A is lands where human beings reside and sleep.

(b) Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the noise limitations of the foregoing table shall be reduced by 10 dBA for receiving property within Class A EDNAs.

(c) At any hour of the day or night the applicable noise limitations in (a) and (b) above may be exceeded for any receiving property by no more than:

- (i) 5 dBA for a total of 15 minutes in any one-hour period; or
- (ii) 10 dBA for a total of 5 minutes in any one-hour period; or
- (iii) 15 dBA for a total of 1.5 minutes in any one-hour period.

[Order 74-32, § 173-60-040, filed 4/22/75, effective 9/1/75.]