6-2-5: Specific Prohibitions

The following acts are declared to cause unnecessary noises in violation of this Chapter; provided, however, that the following enumerations shall not be deemed to be exclusive:* *See also Section 11-1-5 of this Code.

B. Radios, Television Sets, Phonographs and Similar Devices. It shall be unlawful for any person to use, operate or permit to be played any radio receiving set, musical instrument, television, phonograph, drum or other machine or device for the production or reproduction of sound in such a manner as to cause to be made or continued any unnecessary noise as heard without measurement or as heard and measured in the manner described in Section 6-2-8 of this Chapter. The operation of any such set, instrument, television, phonograph, machine or other device at any time in such a manner as to be plainly audible at either the property line or plainly audible through a party wall within a building or plainly audible at twenty five feet (25') from such device when operated within a vehicle parked on a public right-of-way, shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this Section.

D. Loading Operations. The loading, unloading, opening or otherwise handling boxes, crates, containers, garbage containers or other objects in such a manner as to cause a disturbance; the loading of any garbage, trash or compactor truck, or any other truck, whereby the loading, unloading or handling boxes, crates, equipment or other objects is conducted within a residential district or within three hundred feet (300') of any hotel or motel between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. and seven o'clock (7:00) A.M.

E. Construction Work. The operating, or causing to be used or operated any equipment used in construction activities in any residential or commercial district between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) P.M. of one day and seven o'clock (7:00) A.M. of the following day. Construction projects shall be subject to the maximum permissible noise level specified for industrial districts for the periods within which construction is to be completed pursuant to any applicable building permit.

G. Domestic Power Equipment. No person shall operate or permit to be operated on private property or on the public way within any residential or commercial district(s) any power equipment rated five horsepower or less and used for home or building repair or grounds maintenance between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. of one day and seven o'clock (7:00) A.M. of the next day or operate or permit to be operated between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) A.M. and ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. any such power equipment which emits a noise sound pressure level in excess of eighty (80) decibels in the A weighting network dB(A). Such power equipment shall include, but not be limited to, lawn mowers, garden tools, snow removal equipment, electric or chain saws or any other power equipment used for home or building repair or grounds maintenance. Noise sound pressure levels shall be measured at a distance of twenty five feet (25') from the noise source.

H. Commercial Power Equipment. No person shall operate on any property within a residential or commercial district(s) or on any public way within a residential or commercial district(s) any power equipment rated more than five (5) horsepower, excluding construction equipment used for construction activities, such as but not limited to chain saws, pavement breakers, log chippers, riding tractors, powered hand tools, between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. of one day and seven o'clock (7:00) A.M. of the next day or within residential, commercial or industrial noise districts between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) A.M. and ten o'clock
(10:00) P.M. which emits a noise level in excess of eighty eight (88) decibels, in the A weighting network dB(A). Noise sound pressure levels shall be measured at a distance of twenty five feet (25’) from the noise source.

M. Animals and Fowls. No person shall keep, have in his possession or harbor any animals which, by frequent or habitual howling, barking, meowing, squawking or other noise, shall cause disturbance.