

**TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
ORDINANCE #1622**

AN ORDINANCE of the Township of Springfield, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, to further, supplement, change and modify the provisions of Ordinance #824, Known as the “Code of the Township of Springfield”, enacted and ordained January 14, 1969, as heretofore amended, by amending Chapter 77, entitled “Noise” and known as the “Anti-Noise Ordinance or the Township of Springfield”.

The Board of Commissioners of the Township of Springfield,

DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1. That Chapter 77, entitled “Noise”, Section 77-9, entitled “Specific Prohibitions”,

Section § 77-9. Specific prohibitions.

The following acts, among others, are declared to be loud, disturbing or excessive noise and/or noise disturbance in violation of this ordinance, but said enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive:

A. Horns and signaling devices. The sounding of any horn or signaling device on any motor vehicle except as a danger warning signal or as provided in the Vehicle Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

B. Radios, television sets and similar devices.

(2) Operating any such device between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. Monday – Friday, 10:00 p.m. and 8:00a.m. Saturday – Sunday the following day in such a manner as to be plainly audible across real property boundaries or through partitions common to two parties

within a building and plainly audible at 50 feet from such device when operated within a motor vehicle parked on a public right-of-way or on a public space.

E. Loading operations. Loading, unloading, opening or otherwise handling boxes, crates, containers, garbage cans or other similar objects between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. Monday – Friday, 6:00p.m. and 8:00a.m. Saturday - Sunday the following day in such a manner as to cause a noise disturbance.

I. Powered model vehicles. Operating or permitting the operation of powered model vehicles between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. Monday – Friday, 6:00p.m. and 8:00a.m. Saturday - Sunday the following morning. Maximum sound pressure levels during the permitted period of operation shall conform to those set forth in Table I of § 77-10 and shall be measured at the property boundary of the source. Powered model vehicles shall not be operated on public property.

L. Stationary emergency signaling devices. Testing of only the electromechanical functioning of a stationary emergency signaling device shall occur at the same time each day that a test is performed, but not before 7:30 a.m. or after 6:00 p.m. Monday – Friday, 8:00a.m. or after 6:00p.m. Saturday – Sunday. Any such testing shall only use the minimum cycle test time.

M. Tools. Operating or permitting to be operated any powered saw, sander, drill, grinder, garden equipment or tools of like nature, used primarily for domestic purposes, outdoors in residential zones between one hour after sunset and 7:30 a.m. Monday – Friday 8:00a.m Saturday – Sunday the following day.

§ 77-10. Maximum permissible continuous sound pressure levels.

B. For any source of sound which emits a pure tone or impulsive sound, the maximum sound level limits set forth in Table I shall be reduced by five dB(A).

TABLE I

Receiving Land Use Category	Time	Sound Pressure Level Limit [dB(A)]
A,B,C Residence District	7:30a.m. – 10:00p.m. Monday – Friday 8:00a.m. – 10:00p.m. Saturday – Sunday	55
D Apartment Districts	10:00p.m. – 7:30a.m. Monday – Friday 10:00p.m. – 8:00a.m. Saturday – Sunday	50
E Business Districts	At all times	60
SC Shopping Center Districts	At all times	60
SU Special Use Districts	At all times	60
F Industrial Districts	At all times	65

*NOTE: As provided in Chapter 143 of the Code.

Enacted and ordained this 14th day of June, A.D., 2022, by the Board of Commissioners of Springfield Township.

By:

President

Attest:

Manager/Secretary