Noise Complaints

When to call DPD

If major noise sources are driving you crazy, consult this card to determine where you should refer your complaints.

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- Construction noise (e.g., equipment, vehicles, delivery trucks, etc.) complaints are handled by a DPD Noise Abatement Coordinator. To lodge a construction noise complaint, please call (206) 684-7843 or (206) 615-1760.

- Report major mechanical noise (e.g., fans, vehicle repair and body shops, ventilators, air conditioning, lights and general manufacturing, etc...) to DPD’s general complaint line by calling (206) 615-0808.

Please see reverse side for other noise generators and where to call...

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DPD does NOT enforce the following noise generators:

- Barking dogs/noise emanating from animals: (206) 386-7387
- Horns or sirens
- Motor vehicle noise
- Musical instruments or amplified sound
- Human voices amplified or unamplified
- Sound from motor vehicle audio systems
- Noise created from officially sanctioned events in public places and parks
- Noise created by watercraft

For all the noise generators listed above, please contact the Seattle Police Department, at (206) 625-5011, for information on where to direct complaints.