

Chapter 113

NOISE

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Grottoes 2-3-1970 as Title 19 of the 1970 Ordinances of the Town of Grottoes. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Nuisances — See Ch. 117.

Peace and good order — See Ch. 121.

ARTICLE I

General Provisions

§ 113-1. Unreasonably loud or disturbing noises prohibited.

No person shall create any unreasonably loud, disturbing or unnecessary noise in the Town or noise of such character, intensity and duration as to be detrimental to the life or health of any person or to unreasonably disturb or annoy the quiet, comfort or repose of any person. The enumeration hereinafter of certain specific offenses shall not be construed as the limitation of the scope of this section.

§ 113-2. Motor vehicle horns.

No person shall sound the horn or other warning device of any motor vehicle except as a danger signal or in compliance with the requirement of a state law or Town ordinance.

§ 113-3. Motor vehicle brakes or other parts.

No person shall operate a motor vehicle the brakes or other part of which are in such a state of repair or adjustment as to cause excessive and unnecessary noise.

§ 113-4. Motor vehicle loads.

No person shall operate a motor vehicle which shall be so loaded or the load on which shall be so insecurely attached or not attached as to cause excessive or unnecessary noise.

§ 113-5. Quiet zone.

No person shall make or cause to be made any loud or unnecessary noise in or near any "quiet zone" as herein defined. A "quiet zone" shall be any part of the Town in the vicinity of a hospital, church (while services are in progress therein), school (during school hours), public library or place where a person shall be extremely ill, provided that such zone shall have been marked off and designated by appropriate and conspicuous

signs placed or caused to be placed by the Council or other designated authority.¹

§ 113-6. Music on streets; permit required. [Amended 7-8-1996]

No two or more persons or a band or an orchestra shall play musical instruments in or on the streets, sidewalks or alleys or other public places in the Town unless such persons shall have first obtained a permit to do so from the Chief of Police.

§ 113-7. Peddling, hawking, or selling.

No person peddling, hawking or selling produce or goods of any character shall make or cause to be made a noise which disturbs the peace and quiet of the neighborhood.

§ 113-8. Whistles.

No person shall sound or cause to be sounded a steam whistle or any whistle of any similar character of volume except to give notice of the time of beginning or stopping of work or as a warning of danger.

§ 113-9. Animals and birds.

No person shall have or keep any animal or bird which, by making or causing frequent or long continued and unreasonable noise, shall disturb the comfort and repose of any person in the vicinity.

**ARTICLE II
Loudspeakers**

§ 113-10. Permit required for use on streets.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any loudspeaker or similar device on any street, sidewalk or alley in the Town, regardless of whether the same is or is not attached to a vehicle, unless such person shall first have obtained a written permit therefor from the Mayor, Town Clerk, Chief of Police or other designated official.

**ARTICLE III
Penalties**

§ 113-11. Violations and penalties. [Added 7-8-1996]

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this chapter shall be punished as set forth in § 1-7, General penalty, of Chapter 1, General Provisions.

¹. Editor's Note: Original Section 19-6, Gongs, sirens, etc., which immediately followed this section, was deleted 7-8-1996.