

ARTICLE 9

PROVISIONS REGARDING NOISE CONTROL

901 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Article is to control unreasonable, excessive, or unnecessary loud noise.

902 GENERAL PROHIBITION

No person shall cause or permit any unreasonable or improper noise or disturbance, injurious to the health, peace, repose, or quiet of the residents and property owners of the Township

903 SPECIFIC NOISE PROHIBITED

The following noises and disturbances are hereby declared to be a nuisance and a violation of this General Code, provided however, that the specification of same shall not be construed to exclude other violations of this General Code not otherwise specified below:

A. Using, operating, playing, or permitting to be used, operated, or played, any musical instrument or any radio or other devices for the producing or reproducing of sound, in such manner as to disturb the peace, quiet and comfort of the neighboring inhabitants, or at any time with louder volume than is necessary for convenient hearing for the person or persons who are in the room, vehicle, or yard in which such instrument or device is being operated and who are voluntary listeners thereto. Further, the operation of any such device or devices between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., in such manner as to be plainly audible at a distance of fifty (50) feet from the building, structure, or vehicle in which it is located, shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section. Further, the operation of any such musical instrument or device, except within an enclosed building, structure, or vehicle, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., shall be prohibited.

B. The repeated sounding of any horn or signal device on any motor vehicle other than for the purpose of avoiding accident or collision.

C. Yelling, shouting, hooting, whistling, or singing on the public streets between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

D. The keeping of any animal, bird, or fowl from which emanates frequent or extended noise which shall disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of any person in the vicinity.

E. The operation of any automobile, motorcycle, or other vehicle so out of repair, or so loaded or constructed as to cause loud and unnecessary grading, grinding, exhausting, or other noise disturbing to the quiet, comfort or repose of other persons.

904 SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED Amended 4/23/ 2012 Effective 5/24/2012

The following activities are absolutely prohibited throughout the Township except between the hours of 7:00 am. and 11:00 p.m., except in situations of urgent necessity to protect the interest of the public health and safety.

A. The erecting, excavating, demolition, alteration, or repair of any building in any platted property or in any residential zoned district.

B. Operation of a chain saw, air hammer, or similar machine or device.

C. Discharge of a firearm.

D. Use of excavating equipment such as bulldozers and back hoes,

E. Collection of Commercial garbage/trash/refuse pickup.

905 EXCEPTIONS

None of the prohibitions here before enumerated in this Article shall apply to the following circumstances:

A. Any police vehicle, ambulance, fire engine, or emergency vehicle of any other type while engaged in necessary emergency activities.

B. Excavation or repair of bridges, streets, or highways, by or on behalf of the Township, the County of Muskegon, or the State of Michigan, when the public welfare, safety, and convenience rendered it impractical to perform such work during other hours.