

# NOISE ORDINANCE

## OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

§ 54-24

- (c) To allow noise between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. that is plainly audible either inside the confines of a dwelling unit, house or apartment of another person or at 50 or more feet when the noise is generated from a gathering of ten or more people.
  - (d) To allow any animal or bird except farm animals between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. to create noise such that it is plainly audible at least once a minute for ten consecutive minutes (i) inside the confines of a dwelling unit, house or apartment of another; or (ii) at 50 or more feet from the animal or bird.
  - (e) To play or permit the playing of any radio, stereo, tape player, compact disc player, loud speaker or other electronic device or mechanical equipment used for the amplification of sound, which is located within a motor vehicle and which is plainly audible from outside the motor vehicle at a distance of 50 feet or more from the vehicle. This provision shall not apply to sirens, loud speakers and emergency communications radios in public safety vehicles, nor shall it apply to motor vehicle alarms or other security devices.
  - (f) To create plainly audible noise (i) inside the confines of a dwelling unit, house or apartment of another person or (ii) at 50 or more feet from the device between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. in connection with the loading or unloading of refuse, waste or recycling collection vehicles.
  - (g) To create plainly audible noise (i) inside the confines of a dwelling unit, house or apartment of another person or (ii) at 50 or more feet from the device between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. in connection with commercial lawn care, leaf removal, gardening, tree maintenance or removal and other commercial landscaping, lawn or timbering activities.
  - (h) This section shall not apply to public safety activities, military activities and repairs to public or public service corporation infrastructure.
  - (i) Violations of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$250.00.
- (Ord. No. O-11-14, § 2, 6-14-2011; Ord. No. O-11-25, § 1, 10-11-2011)

### **Sec. 54-24. Dumping trash, companion animals or other unsightly matter on highway, right-of-way or private property.**

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to dump or otherwise dispose of trash, garbage, refuse, litter, a companion animal for the purpose of disposal, or other unsightly matter, on public property, including a public highway, right-of-way, property adjacent to such highway or right-of-way, or on private property without the written consent of the owner thereof or his agent.

(b) When any person is arrested for a violation of this section and the matter alleged to have been illegally dumped or disposed of has been ejected from a motor vehicle or transported to the disposal site in a motor vehicle, the arresting officer may comply with the provisions of Code of Virginia, § 46.2-936 in making such arrest. When a violation of the provisions of this