

**TOWNSHIP OF MANALAPAN
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-19**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
MANALAPAN, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 155, "NOISE", OF THE CODE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANALAPAN, PERTAINING TO CONSTRUCTION
AND DEMOLITION ACTIVITY.**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Manalapan,
County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 155, "Noise", of the Code of the Township of Manalapan,
Section 155-7, "Restricted Uses and Activities" be and the same is hereby amended and
supplemented to delete Subsection 155-7B(3) and to substitute therefor the following:

"(3) Construction and demolition activity, excluding emergency work, shall
not be performed between the hours of 8:00 P.M. and 7:00 a.m. on
weekdays and Saturdays or at any time on Sundays or holidays. All
motorized equipment used in construction and demolition activity shall be
operated with a muffler."

Section 2. Chapter 155, "Noise", Article II, "Unusual and Disturbing Noise", be
and the same is hereby amended and supplemented to read, in full, as follows:

"ARTICLE II. Unusual and Disturbing Noise.

§155-9. Enforcement. The provisions of this Article shall be enforced by the
Manalapan Township Police Department and the Code Enforcement Officer
of the Township.

§155-10. Unlawful noises. It shall be unlawful for a person to make,
continue or cause to be made or continued any loud or unnecessary or
unusual noise or any noise which does or is likely to disturb, annoy, injure
or endanger the comfort, proposed health, public peace or safety of others.

§155-11. Examples of loud, disturbing and unnecessary noise. Without intending to limit the generality of §155-10, the following acts are hereby declared to be examples of loud and disturbing and unnecessary noise in violation of this article:

- A. Construction and demolition activity excluding emergency work shall not be performed between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. on weekdays and Saturdays and at any time on Sundays or holidays.
- B. Radios, televisions, and other music and noise devices. The playing, use or operation of any radio, television, musical instrument, phonograph or other machine or device for the producing or reproducing of sound in such manner as to disturb the peace, quiet and comfort of neighboring inhabitants or with louder volume than is necessary for convenient hearing for persons who are in the room, vehicle or chamber in which the machine or device is operated and who are voluntary listeners. The operation of such a set, instrument, phonograph, machine or device between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. so that it is clearly audible at a distance of 100 feet or more from the building or structure or vehicle in which it is located shall be a prima facie evidence of violation of this section.
- C. Yelling, shouting, etc. Yelling, shouting, hooting or whistling or singing on the public streets, particularly between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. or at any time or place, which annoys, disturbs the quiet comfort or peace of person in any office, dwelling, hotel, motel, school or other types of residence or school or any person in the vicinity.
- D. Animals and birds. Keeping of animals and birds which by causing frequent and long continuing noise disturbs the comfort or repose of any person in the vicinity; but nothing herein contained is intended to apply to a dog pound or kennel licensed pursuant to law.
- E. Horns. The sounding of a horn or warning device on an automobile, motorcycle, bus or other vehicle, except when required by law or necessary to give timely warning of an approaching vehicle or as a warning of an impending danger to a person driving other vehicles or to persons on the street. No person shall sound a horn or warning device on an automobile, motorcycle, bus or other vehicle which emits an unusually loud or harsh sound for an unnecessary or unreasonable period of time.

- F. Exhaust. Discharge into the open air of exhaust of a steam engine, stationary internal combustion engine or motor vehicle except through a muffler or other device which will effectively prevent loud or explosive noises.
- G. Defective vehicle on road. The use of an automobile, motorcycle or vehicle so out of repair so that it creates loud and unnecessary grating, clanging or rattling or other noise.
- H. Schools, courts, churches, hospitals. The creation of excessive noise on the street adjacent to a school, institution of learning, church or court while in use or adjacent to a hospital which reasonably interferes with the working of the institution or which disturbs unduly and annoys patients in the hospital, provided that conspicuous signs are displayed in such street indicating that it is a school or hospital or court street. The above enumerations are intended to give typical illustrations of prohibited disturbances and shall not be construed as exclusive.

§155-12. Exceptions. Nothing contained shall be construed to apply to:

- A. Use of bells, chimes or sound amplifiers by churches engaged in church activity.
- B. Activities of municipal departments and performance of their duties, drills or public demonstrations.
- C. Activities in public parks, playgrounds or public buildings under permission or authority of the municipal officials.
- D. Playing by a band or orchestra in a hall or building or open area where duly authorized."

Section 3. All Ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

Section 4. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other portion of this Ordinance be adjudged by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication according to law.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and approved at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Manalapan held on [September 25, 2025](#) and will be further considered for final passage after a Public Hearing thereon before the Township Committee of the Township of Manalapan during a meeting to be held on [October 29, 2025](#) at the Municipal Complex, 120 Route 522 and Taylors Mill Road, Manalapan, New Jersey at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached, or at any meeting to which that meeting may be adjourned, at which time any and all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard.

The proposed Ordinance in its entirety is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office and copies may be obtained without charge between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. A complete copy may also be obtained from the Manalapan Township web-site www.mtnj.org by clicking on the Ordinance title listed on the Agenda posted for the Township Committee meeting of [October 29, 2025](#).

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Municipal Clerk