

Marble Arch Conduct rules (1 January 2024)

Appendix 9 – Noise level.

Introduction

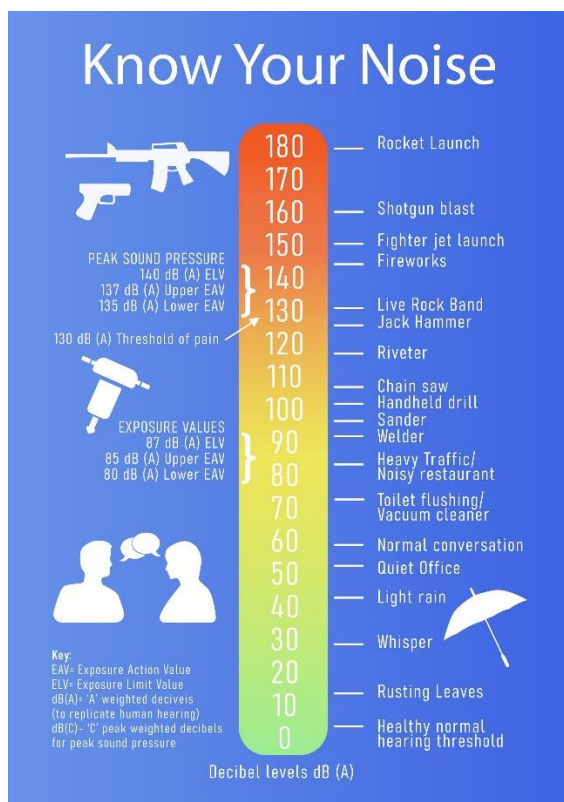
The sound level (a.k.a Pressure), frequencies, time of day and duration at which noise becomes a nuisance or disturbance can be subjective.

In addition to the judgement of the Trustees and or Security staff , a more objective measurement may be taken.

In order to allow control in a communal living environment the Trustees will have imposed acceptable pressure levels in the conduct rules.

e.g. "Noise from whatever source (e.g. voices, singing, screaming, pets, music systems, televisions, musical instruments, vehicles, tools, generators) shall not cause a nuisance or disturbance to other occupants. Typically this is below 60dB(A), though between the hours of 10pm and 7am the noise level should not exceed 40dB(A)."

To assist owners, residents and guests in understanding how the Trustees determine when the noise must be attenuated here are some guidelines:



The noise will be judged at a distance of 1m from the property of the complainant closest to the source of the noise.

In addition to the judgement of the Trustees and or Security staff , a more objective measurement may be taken.

In the absence of a soundmeter, readings taken from at least 2 Android and/or IOS devices will be taken and the mean reading will be accepted. Time dated screenshots or photo's of the reading must be kept on record.

The examples of Apps that can be used:

Android:

Sound Meter & Noise Detector

Decibel Pro

Decibel X

IOS:

NIOSH Sound Level Meter App

Decibel Pro

Decibel X