

Construction Noise

Building Permits and Good Neighbour Bylaw Regulations

Purpose

The following information is provided to outline time restrictions and exemptions for construction noise as regulated within the City of Penticton's Good Neighbour Bylaw.

Background

The Good Neighbor Bylaw was adopted by Council on September 4, 2012. The Bylaw was created to consolidate and update a number of nuisance and property management bylaws as well as to deal with the growing number of incomplete building projects and vacant buildings, including abandoned and fire damaged structures, within the City. The Bylaw is broken down into four main regulatory areas:

- Street Nuisances
- Noise Regulation
- Property Maintenance
- Nuisance Smoke

References

[Good Neighbour Bylaw](#)

Implementation – Construction Noise

Part 6 - Noise Regulation

Construction Exemptions

6.3 Where the City's Chief Building Official considers that it is impossible or impractical for a person to comply with Section 6.7 (e) and (f) the Chief Building Official may, on application in writing, grant an exemption to carry out work that is found to be necessary, at designated hours on designated days and on such other terms and conditions as the Chief Building Official considers reasonable in the circumstances.



Community Notification

6.3.1 Where an exemption to the noise bylaw is granted, the applicant will notify businesses and residents within 45 meters of the parcel property lines. The applicant will also send a copy of the community notification to the City of Penticton's Development Services Department and the R.C.M.P. The notification will be in writing and forwarded at least 24 hours and no more than 7 days prior to the exempted noise. The notification shall include:

The applicant's information:

- i. The company and or construction company name, address, and telephone number;
- ii. The project name and address of the construction site; and
- iii. The 24 hour monitored contact name and contact number.

The details of the exempted work:

- i. Potential disruptions and other relevant activity including lights construction cranes, trucks, etc.;
- ii. The reasons why the noise exempted work is necessary;
- iii. Information about the exemption granted as well as any limitations or conditions imposed by the City regarding the exemption as well as a description of any steps taken or planned to minimize the noise nuisance;
- iv. Telephone numbers for the "City of Penticton and the RCMP."

Specific Prohibitions

6.7 (Construction Noise)

- (e) Subject to Section 6.3, no person in the City shall, on any day before 0700 hours or after 2200 hours, construct, erect, reconstruct, alter, repair or demolish any building, structure or thing, or excavate or fill in land in any manner which causes noise or sounds in or on a highway or elsewhere in the City which disturbs or tends to disturb, the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of any person or persons in the neighbourhood or vicinity.
- (f) Subject to Section 6.3, no owner of Real Property shall, on any day before 0700 hours or after 2200 hours, cause, permit or allow a person to construct, erect, reconstruct, alter, repair or demolish any building, structure or thing, or excavate or fill in land in any manner which causes noise or sounds in or on any Real Property, a highway or elsewhere in the City which disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of any person or persons in the neighbourhood or vicinity.

Have questions? We're here to help. Please contact the Building Department at 250-490-2501 or buildinginfo@penticton.ca for further information.
