Horry County Noise Ordinance as it relates to motor vehicles/motorcycles

• Sec. 13-32. - Certain noises prohibited.

(a)

It shall be unlawful for any person to make, continue or cause to be continued, any excessive, unnecessary or unusually loud noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others, within the unincorporated areas of the county.

(b)

The following acts, among others are declared to be loud, disturbing and unnecessary noises in violation of this section, but such enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive, namely:

(1)

Horns, signaling devices, etc. The sounding of any horn or signaling device on any automobile, motorcycle or other vehicle on any street or public place within the unincorporated areas of the county, except as a danger warning; the creation by means of any such signaling device of any unreasonably loud or harsh sound; and the sounding of any such device for an unnecessary and unreasonable period of time. The use of any signaling device, except one operated by hand or electricity; the use of any horn, whistle or other device operated by engine exhaust; and the use of any such signaling device when traffic is for any reason held up.

(2)

Radios, phonographs, etc. The using, operation or permitting to be played, used or operated, any radio receiving set, 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 persons in the vicinity who are not voluntary listeners thereto. The operation of such set, instrument, machine or device between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. in such a manner as to be audible at a distance of fifty (50) feet shall be prohibited unless operated in an established amusement theme park subject to the provisions of subsection 13-33(c)(3) or section 13-35

(3)

Loud speakers, amplifiers for advertising. The using, operating or permitting to be played, used or operated, any radio receiving set, musical instrument, phonograph. loudspeaker, sound amplifier or other machine or device for the producing or reproducing of sound which is broadcast upon the public streets for the purpose of commercial advertising or attracting the attention of the public to any building or structure.

(4)

Yelling, shouting, etc. Yelling, shouting, hooting, whistling or singing on the public streets, particularly between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. or at any time or place so as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort or repose of persons in any office, or in any dwelling, hotel or other type of residence, or of any persons in the vicinity.

(5)

Exhausts. The discharge into the open air of the exhaust of any steam engine, stationary internal combustion engine, motor boat or motor vehicle except through a muffler or other device which will effectively prevent loud or explosive noises therefrom.

signs are displayed in such street indicating that the same is a school, hospital or court street.

(Ord. No. 108-98, § 3, 7-27-99; Ord. No. 94-03, § 1, 11-18-03)