

7030.0050 NOISE AREA CLASSIFICATION.

Subpart 1. **Applicability.** The noise area classification is based on the land use activity at the location of the receiver and determines the noise standards applicable to that land use activity unless an exception is applied under subpart 3.

Subp. 2. **Noise area classifications.** The noise area classifications and the activities included in each classification are listed below:

Noise Area Classification	Land Use Activities
1	Household Units (includes farm houses) Group quarters Residential hotels Mobile home parks or courts Transient lodging Other residential Motion picture production Medical and other health services Correctional institutions Educational services Religious activities Cultural activities and nature exhibitions Entertainment assembly Camping and picnicking areas (designated) Resorts and group camps Other cultural, entertainment, and recreational activities.
2	Railroad terminals (passenger) Railroad terminals (passenger and freight) Rapid rail transit and street railway passenger terminals Bus passenger terminals (intercity) Bus passenger terminals (local) Bus passenger terminals (intercity and local) Other motor vehicle transportation

Airport and flying field terminals (passenger)
Airport and flying field terminals (passenger and freight)
Marine terminals (passenger)
Marine terminals (passenger and freight)
Automobile parking
Telegraph message centers
Transportation services and arrangements
Wholesale trade
Retail trade – building materials, hardware, and farm equipment
Retail trade – general merchandise
Retail trade – food
Retail trade – automotive, marine craft, aircraft, and accessories
Retail trade – apparel and accessories
Retail trade – furniture, home furnishings, and equipment
Retail trade – eating and drinking
Other retail trade
Finance, insurance, and real estate services
Personal services
Business services
Repair services
Legal services
Other professional services
Contract construction services
Governmental services (except correctional institutions)
Miscellaneous services (except religious activities)
Public assembly (except entertainment assembly and race tracks)
Amusements (except fairgrounds and amusement parks)
Recreational activities (except designated camping and picnicking areas)
Parks.

3 Food and kindred products – manufacturing

Textile mill products – manufacturing
Apparel and other finished products made from fabrics, leather, and similar materials – manufacturing
Lumber and wood products (except furniture) – manufacturing
Furniture and fixtures – manufacturing
Paper and allied products – manufacturing
Printing, publishing, and allied industries
Chemicals and allied products – manufacturing
Petroleum refining and related industries
Rubber and miscellaneous plastic products – manufacturing
Stone, clay, and glass products – manufacturing
Primary metal industries
Fabricated metal products – manufacturing
Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments; photographic and optical goods; watches and clocks – manufacturing
Miscellaneous manufacturing (except motion picture production)
Railroad, rapid transit, and street railway transportation (except passenger terminals)
Motor vehicle transportation (except passenger terminals)
Aircraft transportation (except passenger terminals)
Marine craft transportation (except passenger and freight terminals)
Highway and street right-of-way
Communication (except telegraph message centers)
Utilities
Other transportation, communication, and utilities (except transportation services and arrangements)
Race tracks
Fairgrounds and amusement parks
Agricultural
Agricultural and related activities
Forestry activities and related services (including commercial forest land, timber production, and other related activities)

- Fishing activities and related services
 - Mining activities and related services
 - Other resource production and extraction
 - All other activities not otherwise listed.
- 4 Undeveloped and unused land area (excluding noncommercial forest development)
- Noncommercial forest development
 - Water areas
 - Vacant floor area
 - Under construction
 - Other undeveloped land and water areas.

Subp. 3. **Exceptions.** The noise area classification for a land use may be changed in the following ways if the applicable conditions are met.

A. The daytime standards for noise area classification 1 shall be applied to noise area classification 1 during the nighttime if the land use activity does not include overnight lodging.

B. The standards for a building in a noise area classification 2 shall be applied to a building in a noise area classification 1 if the following conditions are met:

(1) the building is constructed in such a way that the exterior to interior sound level attenuation is at least 30 dB(A);

(2) the building has year-round climate control; and

(3) the building has no areas or accommodations that are intended for outdoor activities.

C. The standards for a building in a noise area classification 3 shall be applied to a building in a noise area classification 1 if the following conditions are met:

(1) the building is constructed in such a way that the exterior to interior sound level attenuation is at least 40 dB(A);

(2) the building has year-round climate control; and

(3) the building has no areas or accommodations that are intended for outdoor activities.

D. The standards for a building in a noise area classification 3 shall be applied to a building in a noise area classification 2 if the following conditions are met:

- (1) the building is constructed in such a way that the exterior to interior sound level attenuation is at least 30 dB(A);
- (2) the building has year-round climate control; and
- (3) the building has no areas or accommodations that are intended for outdoor activities.

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