

## Noise – Construction

Construction noise can be managed to have minimal impact on neighbouring residences. Construction work is defined by the Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997 as the construction, erection, installation, alteration, repair, maintenance, cleaning, painting, renewal, removal, excavation, dismantling or demolition of, or addition to, any building or structure. The unreasonable noise that may be emitted from a construction site can cause annoyance to surrounding residences.

### Regulations/restrictions on construction noise

Construction work can be carried out between the hours of **7:00 am to 7:00 pm** if -

- The work is carried out on Monday through Saturday.
- The work is carried out in accordance with Australian Standard 2436 - 1981 - Guide to Noise Control on Construction, Maintenance and Demolition sites and;
- The equipment used is the quietest reasonably available.

**Note:** Construction work may be carried out, outside the hours described above, under strict conditions, if a **Noise Management Plan** is approved by the Shire.

### Action you can take

If noise from a construction site is causing you annoyance, you may find it helpful to take one or more of the following steps:-

- Speak to the builders on the construction site to make them aware of your concerns,
- Contact the building company who is managing the construction site and ask the building company to contact you once they have spoken to the workers on site,
- If the annoyance caused by the construction noise continues, then you may contact the Shire's Health Services and send in a written complaint.

### Role of the Shire's Health Services

The Shire's Health Officer investigates noise complaints from construction sites to ensure that activities are not in contravention of the Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997.

#### How can I make a complaint about noise pollution?

Please contact the Shire's Health Services to make a complaint about noise pollution via -

- ◆ Send an email to the address below, **or**
- ◆ Forward correspondence to -

Health Services Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley 20 Coolibah Drive  
KUNUNURRA WA 6743

Telephone:

9168 4100

Email:

[health@swek.wa.gov.au](mailto:health@swek.wa.gov.au)

(Attn: Health Services)

Webpage:

[www.swek.wa.gov.au](http://www.swek.wa.gov.au)

If you have any queries or require any additional information, please phone Health Services on 9168 4100