

Roscommon Township Ordinance #20
Anti-Noise Ordinance

Adopted October 1970; effective November 15, 1970

Amended July 7, 1981; effective July 16, 1981

Amended December 7, 1999; effective January 15, 2000

Amended September 5, 2000; effective October 14, 2000

Including amendments to Municipal Civil Infraction Ordinance #54 Resolution #2007-3-6c, 6d

An Ordinance to secure the public health, safety and general welfare of the residents and property owners of Roscommon Township, Roscommon County, Michigan, by the regulation of noise within said township; to prescribe penalties for the violation thereof and to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith.

THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF ROSCOMMON TOWNSHIP,
ROSCOMMON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

Section 1. TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Roscommon Township Anti-Noise Ordinance.

Section 2. ANTI-NOISE REGULATIONS

A. No person, firm or corporation shall cause or create any unreasonable or improper noise or disturbance, injurious to the health, peace or quiet of the residents and property owners of the Township of Roscommon.

B. The following noises and disturbances are hereby declared to be a violation of this Ordinance; provided, however, that the specification of the same is not hereby construed to exclude other violations of this Ordinance not specifically enumerated:

1. The sounding of any horn or signal device on any automobile, motorcycle, or other vehicle for any purpose other than to avoid an accident or collision.
2. The playing of any radio, television, phonograph, or any musical instrument or combination of musical instruments, in such a manner or with such volume as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of other persons.
3. Yelling, shouting, hooting, or singing on the public streets 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 any persons in the vicinity.
4. The operation of any automobile, motorcycle, or other vehicle so out of repair, so loaded or constructed as to cause loud and unnecessary grating, grinding, rattling, exhausting, or other noise disturbing to the quiet, comfort or repose of other persons.
5. The use of any drum, loud speaker, or other instrument or device for the purpose of attracting attention to any performance, show sale or display of merchandise which, by the creation of such noise, shall be unreasonably disturbing to other persons in the vicinity.

6. Barking dogs disturbing the quiet, comfort or repose of other persons, provided that all incidents involving barking dogs shall be first referred to the Roscommon County Animal Control Officer.

C. None of the prohibitions hereinbefore enumerated shall apply to any of the following:

1. Any police vehicle, ambulance, fire engine or emergency vehicle while engaged in necessary emergency activities.

Section 3. - VALIDITY

The several provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be separate and the holding of any court that any section or provision hereof is invalid shall not affect or impair the validity of any other section or portion.

Section 4. – PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION

Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance is responsible for a municipal civil infraction, subject to payment of a civil fine (as authorized by Section 21 of Act No. 359 of the Public Acts of 1947, as amended, and the Roscommon Township Municipal Ordinance Violations Bureau Ordinance #54.)

First violation within a 3 year period: \$75

Second violation within a 3 year period: \$150

Third violation within a 3 year period: \$300

Fourth violation within a 3 year period: \$450

In addition to the above prescribed civil fines, cost in the amount of \$20 may be assessed by the bureau if the fine is not paid within 10 days of date of service of the municipal ordinance violation notice.

Each day on which any violation of this Ordinance occurs or continues, constitutes a separate offense subject to separate sanctions

Section 5. – EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effective on November 15th, 1970. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

A true complete copy of these ordinances is available at Roscommon Township hall, 8555 Knapp Rd., Houghton Lake, MI 48629