

**TERREBONNE PARISH
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POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR TEMPORARY SOUND PERMITS – 05/25/18

Excessive noise, unnecessary noise, noisemaking and/or amplified sounds audible at a distance of 25' (or 150' in the case of animals) or which exceed 70 decibels in volume, whether produced by machinery or devices, animal, or man-made, are declared to be a nuisance and a violation of the Terrebonne Parish Code of Ordinances.

As per Section 14-202 of the Parish Ordinances, the Terrebonne Parish Department of Planning & Zoning, Regulatory Division may provide for the issuance of temporary sound permits as per the conditions identified in the ordinance. Temporary sound permits can be applied for in person at the Permit Office or online at www.mypermitnow.org. Temporary sound permits may be issued under the provisions listed below.

1. The Terrebonne Parish Department of Planning & Zoning Regulatory Division may issue a temporary sound Permit if it determines proposed use:
 - i. Will not allow obscene, patently offensive, or profane music,
 - ii. Will not exceed 80 decibels in any residential neighborhood or other location deemed residential by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government,
 - iii. Will not be issued to a permanent business establishment within Terrebonne Parish,
 - iv. Will not exceed three days,
 - v. Will not be issued consecutively (any time within a six month period),
 - vi. Will not permanently endanger, be detrimental to, or unreasonably interfere with the public peace, health, safety, or general welfare,
 - vii. Will not unduly impede, obstruct, or interfere with the operation of emergency vehicles or equipment in/through the permit area,
 - viii. Will not adversely affect the Parish's ability to perform normal parish functions or furnish normal parish services in the vicinity of the permitted area and will not result in the Parish incurring costs/expenditures in money/personnel that have not been reimbursed by Applicant/Permittee, and
 - ix. Will require continuous compliance with all other applicable state and local laws.
2. Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has full discretion in determining whether a temporary sound permit shall be issued.
3. Law enforcement officials may use their discretion and are authorized to revoke a permit at any time out of concern for the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Terrebonne Parish.

Terrebonne Parish offers an Online Permit Portal that allows citizens and contractors to apply for specific permits online. For information on how to apply online, visit **tpcg.org/permitsapplyonline**.