

# **EPA Application Form**

## 7.5 - Noise Emissions - Attachment





### **Amendments to this Application Form Attachment**

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### Noise Emissions (see Note i at the end of this attachment)

Note: An assessment of the impacts of noise, where applicable, should be uploaded in Tab 7 – 'Emissions Overview' of the application form.

Provide detail of measures to reduce noise emissions (list techniques)

(See Note ii at the end of this attachment)

All waste processing is carried out inside the Process Building. Site staff are instructed to avoid unnecessary revving of machinery, turn off equipment / plant when not in use, and limit the hours of activities that are likely to give high noise level emissions.

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Following the *Guidance Note for Noise: Licence Applications, Surveys and Assessments in Relation to Scheduled Activities (NG4)* (2012 as amended) complete the table below, inputting summary details of noise monitoring points (see Note iii at the end of this attachment) and proposed noise limit criteria.

				Proposed Noise Limit Criteria				
Monitoring point code	Easting [2]	Northing [3]	Monitoring point type [4]	Max. noise level daytime	Max. noise level evening	Max. noise level night	How was the noise limit	Proposed monitoring frequency
				dB L <sub>Ar,T</sub> (30 mins)	dB L <sub>Ar,T</sub> (30 mins)	dB L <sub>eq,T</sub> (15-30 mins)	limit desirent desire	
N1	184900	178749	South West Corner	73	81	Stion Pure dur	ambient noise survey	Annually
N2	184878	178795	North West Corner	78	8000 Vite	76	ambient noise survey	Annually
N3	184918	178821	North East Corner	77 Č	nsent 76	73	ambient noise survey	Annually
N4	184959	178750	South West Corner	76	70	72	ambient noise survey	Annually
NSL1	184899	178726	South of Site	77	78	79	ambient noise	Annually



							survey	
NSL2	184805	178728	West of Site	79	75	69	ambient noise survey	Annually

Note: Map(s)/drawing(s) uploaded under 'Site Plans' in Tab 3 of the application form should identify the emission and monitoring points.

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Was an assessment for tonal and impulsive noise carried out? 1 (Yes/No)	Yes
If 'Yes' was tonal or impulsive noise identified to be present? (Yes/No)	No

For emissions outside the EPA Noise Guidance Note limit, see the Agency's *Guidance Note for Noise: Licence Applications, Surveys and Assessments in Relation to Scheduled Activities (NG4)* (2012) (available on <a href="https://www.epa.ie">www.epa.ie</a>), a full evaluation of the existing abatement/treatment system must be provided. A planned programme of improvement towards meeting upgraded standards is required to be uploaded with this document. This programme should highlight specific goals and a time scale, together with options for modification, upgrading or replacement, as required, to bring the emissions within the limits as set out in the Guidance Note.

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Refer to section 5 of the Agency's Guidance Note for Noise: Licence Applications, Surveys and Assessments in Relation to Scheduled Activities (NG4) (2012 as amended).



Note i This part of the application form collects data on noise emissions namely measures used to reduce noise and noise levels at a reference distance under normal operation. As noise emissions can arise from different sources on a site, the EPA usually considers the total emission from the site. Please note that emission limit values and monitoring requirements in any proposed licence shall be based on the information supplied hereunder.

Note ii Measures are usually required to reduce, minimise or prevent emissions from occurring. They may involve the application of a single technique or a combination of techniques including housing, insulation and appropriate location of equipment. List all techniques proposed/employed. Technique(s) employed must comply with BAT. Highlight additional measures required for the purposes of protecting the environment. The measures or techniques to be taken must be capable of complying with the proposed/known emission level(s).

The measures required shall be informed by the following:

- 1. BAT techniques
- 2. Stricter measures/techniques than BAT
- 3. BAT determined by competent authority in consultation with the applicant
- 4. Other measures

Note iii An individual record (i.e. row) is required for each monitoring point. A National Grid Reference (12 digit, 6E, 6N) must be given for each monitoring point. Noise emissions differ from other emissions in that they are generally limited at a reference distance from the source(s). This reference distance should be, where possible, the boundary of the installation but in certain circumstances it is a noise sensitive location outside the boundary of the installation. Noise levels along a boundary will vary due to the location and positioning of noise sources and the 'worst case' should always be selected. Sufficient points should be identified to fully describe the noise levels from the installation. For waste activities, traffic noise emissions should be taken into account especially if it. The Agency's Guidance Note for Noise: Licence Applications, Surveys and Assessments in Relation to Scheduled Activities (NG4) (2012) and Guidance Note on Noise assessment of Wind Turbine Operations at EPA licensed Sites (NG3)(as appropriate) should be consulted when setting proposed sound limits.