

EPA Application Form

7.5 - Noise Emissions - Attachment



Amendments to this Application Form Attachment

Version No.	Date	Amendment since previous version	Reason
V.1.0	July 2017	N/A	Online application form attachment
As above	Mar 2018	Identification of required fields	Assist correct completion of 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)

The layout and design of the site incorporates inherent noise mitigation measures through the position of the proposed facility away from noise sensitive boundaries, the location of operational sources onsite and the hours of operation.

The existing facility is operated in compliance with the existing IED Licence and associated Noise Emission Limits. There have been no complaints in respect of noise emissions from the existing facility.

In order to ensure noise levels associated with the operational phase of the development are minimised as far as practicable, the following mitigation measures are incorporated:

- New external plant will be selected to ensure that the noise source levels set out Table 12.13 Table 12.15 of the Proposed Development EIAR are not exceeded.
- All roller shutter doors and building access points are maintained closed at all times and opened only to permit vehicle and personnel entrance/egress.
- All operational plant will be switched off during evening and night-time periods when the facility is not in operation, with the exception of the compost building fans; and
- Where necessary, contractors will be required to erect suitable noise barriers, localised screens or other suitable control measures to minimise noise disturbance in the event that maintenance or other scheduled activities are operated between 19:00 and 07:00.

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.



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Monitoring point code ¹	Easting 2	Northing 3	Monitoring point type ⁴	Max. noise level daytime dB L _{Ar,T} (30 mins)	Max. noise level evening dB LAr,T (30 mins)	Max. noise level night dB L _{eq,T} (15-30 mins)	How was the noise limit derived? 5	Proposed monitoring frequency
N1	E273059	N231480	Noise Sensitive Location	55	50	45	EPA – NG4	Annual
N2	E274690	N233140	Boundary	55	50	45	EPA – NG4	Annual
N3	E274909	N232667	Boundary	55	50	45	EPA – NG4	Annual
N4	E272939	N228160	Boundary	55	50	offet 15 [©] 45	EPA – NG4	Annual
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¹ The following convention should be observed when labelling noise monitoring points: N1, N2,.....The monitoring locations should be identified on an accompanying site plan drawing(s) uploaded in Tab 3 – 'Site' of the application form.

² Six Digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference of Monitoring Point

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⁴ Monitoring point type options: 'Boundary', 'Noise Sensitive Location' or 'Permanent Noise Monitoring'

⁵ Derived noise limit options: 'BAT', 'EQS', or 'Derogation'

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		Easting Northing 2 3	Monitoring point type ⁴	Proposed Noise Limit Criteria				
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Was an assessment for tonal and impulsive noise carried out? ⁶ (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 www.epa.ie), 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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⁶ 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).

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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.

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