

ORDINANCE NO. 0004449

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2 AN ORDINANCE relating to noise control;  
3 modifying the exemption of aircraft testing  
4 and maintenance; amending Ordinance 3139,  
5 Section 602, and KCC 12.94.105; and adding a  
6 new section.

7 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

8 SECTION 1. Ordinance 3139, Section 602, and KCC 12.94.105  
9 are hereby amended as follows:

10 SOUNDS EXEMPT DURING DAYTIME HOURS. (a) The following  
11 sounds are exempt from the provisions of Chapters 12.86 through  
12 12.100 between the hours of seven A.M. and ten P.M. on weekdays  
13 and between the hours of nine A.M. and ten P.M. on weekends:

14 (1) Sounds created by bells, chimes, or carillons not  
15 operating for more than five minutes in any one hour;

16 (2) Sounds originating from officially sanctioned  
17 parades and other public events;

18 (3) Sounds created by the discharge of firearms on  
19 legally established shooting ranges;

20 (4) Sounds created by blasting;

21 (5) Sounds originating from forest harvesting and  
22 silviculture activity and from commercial agriculture if the  
23 receiving property is located in a residential district of King  
24 County. the administrator is authorized to promulgate  
25 regulations which extend the hours during which this exemption is  
26 in effect to conform with operating hours designated by the  
27 Washington State Department of Natural Resources in directing an  
28 official fire closure.

29 (b) The county council intends to amend the ordinance  
30 codified in Chapters 12.86 through 12.100 by enacting specific  
31 regulations for the following sounds, each of which shall be  
32 exempt from the provisions of this ordinance between the hours of  
33 seven A.M. and ten P.M. on weekdays and between the hours of nine  
A.M. and ten P.M. on weekends, until a specific amendment  
applying to that sound has been adopted:

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1                   (~~(1)~~--Sounds-created-by-aircraft-testing-and  
2 maintenance-provided,-that-such-exemption-shall-begin-at-six-a.m.  
3 daily+))

4                   (~~(2)~~) (1) Sounds created by construction equipment,  
5 including special construction vehicles, and emanating from  
6 temporary construction sites, if the receiving property is  
7 located in a rural or residential district of King County;

8                   (~~(3)~~) (2) Sounds created by the installation or  
9 repair of essential utility services;

10                   (~~(4)~~) (3) Sounds created by maintenance operations  
11 on public facilities;

12                   (~~(5)~~) (4) Sounds created by motor vehicle racing  
13 events at existing, authorized facilities provided, that such  
14 sounds shall be exempt until eleven p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays;

15                   (~~(6)~~) (5) Sounds created by powered equipment used  
16 in temporary or periodic maintenance or repair of residential  
17 property, including grounds and appurtenances, such as  
18 lawnmowers, powered handtools, snow removal equipment, and  
19 composters.

20                   NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. There is hereby added to KCC 12.94  
21 a new section to read as follows:

22                   SOUNDS EXEMPT DURING DAYTIME HOURS--AIRCRAFT TESTING AND  
23 MAINTENANCE. Subject to the conditions of subsections (1)  
24 through (4) of this Section, sounds created by the testing and  
25 maintenance of aircraft, or components of aircraft, are exempt  
26 from the maximum permissible sound levels of KCC 12.88 between  
27 the hours of seven A.M. and ten P.M. daily; PROVIDED that,  
28 aircraft which are regularly scheduled to depart between the  
29 hours of 7:00 A.M. and 8:30 A.M. shall, subject to the same  
30 conditions, be exempt between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 10:00  
31 P.M.

32                   (1) Testing and maintenance shall be performed at an  
33 airport designated as such by the Federal Aviation Administration

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1 prior to the effective date of this section, or by the  
2 administrator.

3 (2) The aircraft or component shall be oriented parallel to  
4 the direction of any operational runway of the airport, or within  
5 ten degrees of parallel to any operational runway of the airport,  
6 provided that this shall apply only to Seattle-Tacoma  
7 International Airport.

8 (3) If the testing or maintenance is performed at the  
9 Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, the aircraft or component  
10 shall be entirely within the airport building restriction line  
11 boundary as defined on the map entitled "Seattle-Tacoma  
12 International Airport - Airport Plan" (prepared July 18, 1973,  
13 revised June 30, 1977) and at areas designated by the airport  
14 proprietor. It is intended that this map be the reference map  
15 regardless of any future changes, provided that the administrator  
16 may grant exceptions to this part for good cause shown. A copy  
17 of this map is on file in the County Clerk's office and at the  
18 Planning and Research Department of the Port of Seattle.

19 (4) If the testing or maintenance is performed at the King  
20 County International Airport, the aircraft or component shall be  
21 entirely within the ultimate airport property line as shown on  
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1 the map entitled "King County International Airport - Airport  
2 Layout Plan" (prepared December 1, 1976, revised October 10,  
3 1978), at areas designated by the Airport Manager. It is  
4 intended that this map be the reference map regardless of any  
5 future changes, provided that the administrator may grant  
6 exceptions to this subsection for good cause shown. A copy of  
7 the King County International Airport Layout Plan map is on file  
8 in the Seattle City Clerk's office, at the office of the Airport  
9 Manager of the King County International Airport, and at the  
10 Planning and Research Department of the Port of Seattle.

11 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 21<sup>st</sup> day of  
12 May, 1979.

13 PASSED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1979.

14 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
15 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

16 *Ruby Chow*  
17 Chairman  
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19 ATTEST:

20 *Barbara M. Quinn*  
21 Deputy Clerk of the Council

22 APPROVED this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1979.

23 *[Signature]*  
24 King County Executive  
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