

Are you affected
by noisy parties?



Holding a Party?

Advice in this leaflet is provided by the Council's Noise Service section. It provides help in preventing party noise from annoying the neighbours.

Before the party?

- **find a suitable location**
- **find a hall for or a large party**

If you intend hosting public entertainment then you are legally required to obtain an entertainment license. Contact the Council's Licensing Service, on telephone **020 8356 4972/4973**.

If you are planning a small party, your home may be suitable. Here are some useful tips:

- **Limit the number of guests**

Too many people will make it hot and stuffy inside. You need enough space to get fresh air in and at the same time be careful to stop the noise getting out.

- **Tell your neighbours**

People may be more tolerant if they have been forewarned. Ask them to contact you if they have any problems with your party.

- **Position the speakers carefully**

Keep them indoors and away from party walls, floors or ceilings and windows. Stand the speakers on items such as thick blankets or cushions.

At the party?

Play the music at a reasonable level

Turn it down after 11 pm

Only engage a DJ who you can rely upon to turn the volume down when asked. Go outside from time to time to check the noise levels.

Keep the bass level down

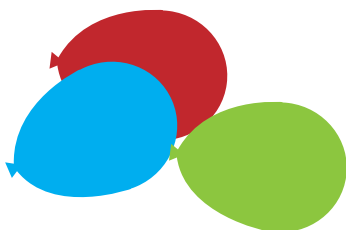
Keep the windows and doors shut

Keep your party inside

Do not let your party overflow onto the balcony, or into the garden. Loud talking from guests standing outside can be as annoying to your neighbours as loud music.

Ask your guests to leave quietly

Ask your guests not to shout goodbye as they leave. If they are driving away, ask them not to turn their music up loudly.



Annoyed by a noisy party? What you can do?

Telephone the Council's Noise Service for noisy parties on **020 8356 4455**.

The Noise Service operates at the following times:

- Thursday 6:30pm to 2am Friday morning
- Friday 9pm to 5am Saturday morning
- Saturday 9pm to 5am Sunday morning
- Sunday 6:30pm to 2am Monday morning

Officers will ask the party holder to substantially reduce the level of noise affecting the neighbours.



The officers use persuasion, backed up with laws and regulations, to deal with noise nuisance.

If the noise is not reduced they may issue a legal notice formally requiring an immediate reduction in noise level.

If the notice is not complied with, the Council may prosecute the person responsible for the noise. The maximum fine is £5,000 (£20,000 for commercial parties).

Outside the Noise Service operating hours, contact the Pollution Team on **020 8356 4455** the following working day. Contact your Estate Manager for noisy parties in Council or Housing Association accommodation.

Advertised parties

Telephone the Noise Service, or the Council's Licensing Service on **020 8356 4972/4973**, giving details of posters or advertisements for parties which are likely to cause serious disturbance to neighbours, especially parties where you are required to pay an entrance fee.

Council officers work together with the police to prevent such parties taking place.

You can contact **Pollution Control** on:

Tel: **020 8356 4455**

Fax: **020 8356 4980**

Email: **pollution.control@hackney.gov.uk**

28-32 Independent Place
Shacklewell Lane
London E8 2HE

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