

City of Emeryville

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SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NOISE WAIVERS FROM CONSTRUCTION HOURS (Updated October 16, 2025)

A Noise Waiver requires the approval of City Council at a noticed public hearing. This requires a request to be submitted at least 6 weeks prior to scheduled work.

To request a Noise Waiver from the construction hours in the Noise Ordinance, provide a complete Noise Waiver request letter with all the items listed below, addressed to:

Chadrick Smalley, Community Development Director 1333 Park Avenue Emeryville, CA 94608

The letter should be emailed to csmalley@emeryville.org.

Staff will assign a number to the request and will generate an invoice for the flat fee of \$2,136.00 (\$1,608.00 for the Noise Waiver; \$528.00 for the public notification). Payment of permit fees can be made by check or credit card. A 3.0% non-refundable service fee will be assessed on all credit and debit card transactions.

Noise Waiver requests must include:

Hours and days of work requested.
Type of work to be conducted.
Type of equipment to be used.
Location where work will take place (include site plan).
Why the waiver is needed.
Contact person, including phone number and email.

Staff will contact you to discuss the application, then prepare a hearing notice and City Council resolution.

Noise waivers generally have the following conditions:

- The days and hours of work.
- The type of work to be conducted.
- Type of equipment to be used.
- The location of the work.
- Notification of neighbors.
- If residents complain, all work on the site and in the vicinity will cease work on that day.

The City may revoke or modify this waiver if conditions of approval are not met, or if any complaints are received and not satisfactorily resolved.

For more information on application submittal requirements, please contact the Planning Department at 510-596-4362 or planning division@emeryville.org.