



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND



NOISE WAIVER CERTIFICATE

ISSUED TO: Montgomery County DOT/Charles Menter
Owner/Operator

Valid From: May 11, 2022

Valid To: June 10, 2022

Type of Waiver: Temporary

Authorizing:

After-hours interior power washing activities at 18 Montgomery County garages in Silver Spring, Bethesda, and Wheaton. The work is being done after-hours to reduce interference from parked vehicles, to minimize disruption to businesses, and to address pedestrian safety concerns. The work shall be performed under the following conditions:


1. All reasonable efforts should be made to perform the noisiest activities as early in evening as possible.
2. The unnecessary moving of lifts/aerial work platforms with traditional tonal backup alarms must be avoided. It is recommended all lifts, machinery, and trucks utilized for garage cleaning be outfitted with OSHA approved white noise back-up alarms or use other approved non-tonal signaling methods
3. Machinery shall be inspected daily and equipped with proper noise attenuation measures to minimize noise, including, but not limited to well-maintained and effective mufflers. Moving parts shall be well lubricated to avoid unnecessary noise from squeaking parts. Machinery access doors and hatches should remain closed when the units are in operation and all machinery should be operated at the minimum level necessary to get the job done. Minimize banging, clattering, buzzing and other annoying types of noises.
4. Noise mitigation barriers should be erected around loud pieces of machinery.
5. All onsite staff should be notified of noise mitigation procedures prior to work.
6. Onsite communication shall be done without shouting.
7. Where possible, the local power grid should be used to reduce the use of internal combustion powered machinery.
8. Prolonged idling of machinery and vehicles must be avoided. If machinery or vehicles are not utilized for long periods, they should be shut off to reduce idling noise.
9. DEP recommends the use of OSHA approved white noise motion alarms.
10. Regular communications must be provided to nearby residences, so they are aware of the work schedule and expected noise related to construction activities.
11. Noise levels should be monitored at sensitive receptor locations around the site.
12. A log must be maintained on site containing detailed information concerning any complaints received regarding noise from this construction project.
13. DEP may suspend or revoke this approval for any violation of the terms and conditions, and may make modifications to the terms and conditions based on the results of noise monitoring or the noise impact of certain activities. (Case 20221256 First 30-Day Extension)

This certificate must be available at the work site.

Location of Work: Garages: 2, 2 Phase II, 3, 4, 5, 9, 55, 58, 60, and 61
Town: Silver Spring **Zip:** 20910

Location of Work: Garages: 11, 11A, 31, 35, 36, 40, 42, 49, and 57
Town: Bethesda **Zip:** 20814

Location of Work: Garage 13, 45
Town: Wheaton **Zip:** 20902

Approved By:  **Date:** May 10, 2022
Department of Environmental Protection

Cc: Bethesda-Chevy Chase Regional Services Center
Silver Spring Regional Services Center
Mid-County Regional Services Center
MC Police, 2nd District, Bethesda Station
MC Police, 3rd District, Silver Spring Station

INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS CERTIFICATE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM
ENERGY, CLIMATE AND COMPLIANCE DIVISION
MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
2425 Reedie Dr., 4th Floor, Wheaton, Maryland 20902
<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DEP/contact/noise-documents.html#wavers>