General Noise Letters

Introduction

There is a wide variety of letters here. Although most of them are in a letter format, some of them are just notes.

They are not in any particular order. You’ll just need to scroll through them to find the one that fits your situation. **Important:** Be sure to edit the one you pick so that it aligns with the customs in your part of the world.

These symbols <<YOUR INFO>> indicate where you’ll need to insert your own information.

I’ve had a lot of success with them. I hope they work for you as well.

Brad Paul

Guru Habits.com
Dear Neighbor,

Could you please keep the volume of your stereo down? We go to bed early and it was keeping us awake last night.

We think you’d be amazed at how sound travels in this building, especially bass.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Sleepless in <<Seattle>>

<<Date>>

Dear Neighbor,

It is not fair to us, or anyone else, that we have to listen to your power tool noise all day and late into the evening too.

We respectfully ask that you stop at a reasonable hour.

If this is a one-time thing, please disregard this note.

Thank you.

<<Date>>

Dear Neighbor,

It is not fair to us, or anyone else, that we have to spend our evening listening to your power tool noise.

We respectfully ask that you stop work at a reasonable hour.

Thank you.

<<Date>>

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Thank you.
Motorcycle-Truck Owner(s)
<<1968 Motor Road>>
<<San Francisco, CA>>

Dear Motorcycle/Truck Owners,

You are waking us up when you start your loud motorcycle, and now loud truck between <<3:15 am and 5:15 am>>.

Could you please do whenever is necessary to reduce this noise. Maybe adjusting the muffling system, starting them in your garage, and leaving promptly would help.

We would greatly appreciate whatever you can do.

Thank you,

Your Neighbors
Dear <<Toyota Truck Owner>>,

You may not be aware of how loud your truck is when it running at <<3:30 am- 4:00 am>>.

It is particularly disturbing when it is kept idling for up to 20 minutes before you leave. This duration makes it impossible not to be fully awakened.

Would it be possible for you to start your truck only when you are ready to leave?

We would greatly appreciate it if you could.

Thank you,

Sleepless in <<Hollywood>> Neighbors
Homeowner
<<1010 Rose Parade Blvd>>
<<Pasadena, CA>>

RE: Loud Music from <<White Chevy Truck>>

Dear Homeowner,

It is not fair to us, or anyone else in the area, that we are forced to endure blasting loud music each time the man in the <<white Chevy truck>> arrives, departs, or does any activity in front of your home.

Perhaps this person does not realize how much the music playing on his truck stereo is invading our properties. This is especially true early in the morning as it was the other day while he conducted various tasks.

Playing loud music, particularly outside, is against longstanding neighborhood traditions and is in violation of city noise ordinances.

We would greatly appreciate it if he would keep the volume on his truck stereo down.

Thank you,

Blasted Out Neighbors
<<Date>>

Party House Resident(s)
<<1000 Paradise Road>>
<<Waikiki, Hawaii>>

Dear Neighbor(s):

Since you moved in, we have had to put up with some sort of party roughly twice a month.

It is not fair to us, or anyone else who lives nearby, that we have to endure your bi-monthly parties that spill over into your front yard, sidewalk, and street with loud talking, laughing, screaming, yelling, arguing, and fighting. An example of this behavior occurred <<date>>.

Creating noise in this manner in a residential neighborhood is in violation of city ordinances.

We respectfully ask that you reduce the size, frequently, and noise level of your parties and keep your guests indoors and under control.

We do not wish to create an unpleasant situation, but if this problem occurs at anytime in the future, we will have no other alternative except to contact the authorities and file necessary documents.

Thank you,

Partied Out Neighbors
Here are letters about a loud car stereo.

<<Date>>

<<Lexus SUV Owner>>
<<3 Abby Road>>
<<London, UK>>

Dear <<Lexus SUV>> Owner,

Your car stereo is much louder to others nearby than you may know. And the alleyway acts as a giant megaphone to carry the sound.

It is disturbing us each afternoon when you arrive home and especially at night when you have gone on playing it through numerous songs. These night sessions have awakened us twice now.

Could you please turn off, or at least lower, the volume when you arrive and especially at night? We would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you,
<<Earshot>> Neighbor

<<Date>>

<<Lexus SUV Owner>>
<<3 Abby Road>>
<<London, UK>>

Dear <<Lexus SUV>> Owner,

We previously sent you a letter stating that your car stereo was disturbing us and requested that you lower the volume.

To reaffirm, we are asking that you lower the volume of your car stereo because it is disturbing us when you arrive and when you sit and play it through numerous songs in the alleyway.

This matter is in violation of the city’s noise ordinance <<8.80.130>>. Refer to the attached copy of this ordinance.

We do not wish to create an unpleasant situation, but if this problem continues we will have no other alternative but to contact the authorities.

Thank you,
<<Earshot>> Neighbor

<<Date>>

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Thank you,
<<Earshot>> Neighbor
Here are letters to the noisy neighbor and the property manager. In this case, it was impossible to be anonymous for various reasons.

<<Date>>

<<Property Manager’s Name>>
<<Authority Ave.>>
<<Lake Tahoe, NV>>

Dear <<Manager’s Name>>, 

Since I spoke with you last I have talked with <<Brenda>>, as you suggested, on three (3) separate occasions regarding her car stereo. Yet, to my utter amazement, she has not complied with my request, and apparently, those made by you and your assistant manager as well! I have tried everything including trying to get use to it, but that was impossible!

Although at times it seems things have improved, particularly late at night, the problem has not been eliminated. Therefore, I have elected to communicate my concerns to her in writing. Please refer to the attached letter to <<Brenda>> dated <<Date>>. If this letter doesn’t work I will have no other alternative but to pursue this legally, unless you have an alternate solution.

Since I moved in over nine (9) months ago, I have been rudely awakened by various activities connected to <<Brenda>> countless times! <<Carol>>, I do not wish to create problems for you, or <<Brenda>> for that matter, but this has gone on long enough and it is not fair to me!

Aside from these issues with <<Brenda>>, I really do like living here. I have made a number of improvements to the apartment that has made it quite comfortable.

I doubt that this latest effort will have any positive effect, but maybe I’ll be surprised and it will end here.

Sincerely,

<<Your Name>>
What is it going to take to get you to stop blasting me with your car stereo?

I have talked with you in person on three (3) separate occasions and asked you to please keep your car stereo off when you depart and arrive from your parking spot, which is located directly beneath my apartment windows.

I have explained to you that your car stereo has awakened me countless times including...

- In the middle of the night in the wee hours of the morning.
- In the morning when I have needed to sleep in after working late.
- In the evening just after I have gone to bed early.
- In the afternoon on weekends when I’ve decided to take a nap.

Regardless of whether I was sleeping or not, it is always disturbing, it is always a nuisance, and it is in violation of the city’s noise ordinance <<8.80.130>>. Refer to the attached copy of this ordinance.

Although at times it seems things have improved, particularly late at night, the problem has not been eliminated, especially at all the other times.

As I said to you when we spoke at your apartment door, I do not wish to create an unpleasant situation with you, but if this continues I will have no other alternative but to contact the authorities.

Sincerely,

<<Your Name>>
Here’s are series of letters about power tool noise.

<<Date>>

<<Alley Power Tools Operator>>
<<555 Auto Manufacturing Drive>>
<<Detroit, MI>>

Dear Neighbor,

Enduring your power tool use is extremely difficult. You may not be aware of how much the concrete alley amplifies and carries the high-pitched screeching sounds created by the powers tools that you operate in front of your garage. The noise produced by your hammering, banging, and slamming of materials is also very disturbing.

Occasional power tool use every few weeks for a short period of time is a home improvement project or a hobby and is tolerable. However, constant power tool use of up to four (4) times a week until as late as 9:00 pm for years is manufacturing and is an unreasonable amount of noise for a high-density residential neighborhood.

It’s like living next to a manufactured home factory or an open-air sawmill.

There is no other person in the neighborhood who creates as much noise by any means including home remodeling projects, hobbies, business enterprises, or garage sales.

It would be greatly appreciated if you would reconsider your project quantity, frequency, and schedule. At the very least, please grant the neighborhood peace in the evening after 5 pm and early in morning on weekends.

Thank you.
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Here's what it has been like for us:

- Countless naps interrupted by power tool noise.
- Countless meals interrupted by power tool noise.
- Countless early-to-beds interrupted by power tool noise.
- Countless telephone calls interrupted by power tool noise.
- Countless reading sessions interrupted by power tool noise.
- Countless work/study sessions interrupted by power tool noise.
- Countless television programs interrupted by power tools noise.

It is like living next to a manufactured home factory or an open-air sawmill.

We respectfully ask that you reconsider your project quantity, frequency, and schedule. At the very least, please grant us peace in the morning until 9:00 am and particularly in the evening after 5:00 pm, and on Saturdays and Sunday mornings -- as much as possible.

You appear to be a conscientious and hard working individual who is trying to improve his home and we wish you well in that endeavor. However, it is our hope that you will take a few minutes to objectively consider how your constant power tool use may be impacting the lives of your neighbors.

Perhaps if we can have quiet mornings and evenings, we can remain neighbors and you can complete your project in peace.

Thank you.

Your Neighbors
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Thank you.
This letter followed a face-to-face confrontation, which proved to be a bad idea as I pointed out in my article.

Date

Joe
Alley Power Tools Operator
555 Auto Manufacturing Drive
Detroit, MI

Dear Joe,

As I have communicated to you face to face on two separate occasions <<date>> 
& <<date>>, your constant power tool noise is driving me crazy. At this point, as a last resort, I felt that is was best that I write you a letter in order to clarify my concerns.

You may not be aware of how much the concrete alley amplifies and carries the high-pitched screeching sounds created by the powers tools that you operate in front of your garage. This is especially true for me since my apartment is roughly 15 feet away from where you operate these tools. The noise created by your hammering, banging, and slamming of materials is also very irritating.

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I have maintained more than a reasonable amount of patience during the four (4) years since I moved in. As an example of my efforts to be patient, I have held this letter since writing it over two (2) years ago.

I would greatly appreciate it if you would reconsider your project quantity, frequency, and schedule. At the very least, please grant me peace in the evening after 5 pm and in early morning until 9 pm.

Thank you.

First Name Only