



TOWN OF OCCOQUAN

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Amplified Outdoor Sound Application

PERMIT

The Town of Occoquan requires an annual permit to operate sound amplifying equipment outdoors within the Town of Occoquan. Amplified sound refers to sound that is plainly audible at 50 feet beyond the real property boundary where the sound originates. All permits are valid from one year from the date of issuance.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:	Mailing Address: PO Box:
Business Name:	Business Address:
Phone Number:	E-mail Address:
Address of location where sound amplifying equipment will be used:	
Will a sound truck be used? (Circle One) Yes No If yes, license number: _____	
Event Dates (Attach a separate schedule if applicable):	Event Hours* (Attach a separate schedule, if applicable):

**Amplified sounds are prohibited between the hours of 10 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday.*

Equipment Description:
Please provide a general description of sound amplifying equipment to be used.

By submitting this form, I certify that the information provided is current and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also acknowledge that the submission of false, inaccurate, or misleading information is a violation of Section 8.01-216.3 of the Code of Virginia and may subject me to penalties under the law.

If issued, I understand and agree that this permit gives me the ability to use or permit to be used sound amplifying equipment at the above listed location only and I may only provide amplified sound during the dates and hours set forth in my application. In no event shall I permit amplified sound to occur during the prohibited timeframe (between 10pm and 2pm on Friday and Saturday or between 8pm and 10:30am every other day). I have received a copy of the code.

Applicant Signature _____
Date

TOWN USE ONLY	
<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED Expiration Date: _____	PERMIT No.: OSP-_____-_____
<input type="checkbox"/> DENIED Reason: _____	
Town Manager Signature: _____ Date: _____	
Payment Ref Number: _____	Permit Fee: \$100 Date of Payment: _____

**AMPLIFIED OUTDOOR SIGN
APPLICATION AND PERMIT INFORMATION
Town Code § 92.10 | www.occoquanva.gov**

§ 92.10 PERMIT FOR AMPLIFIED OUTDOOR SOUND.

(A) Playing or permitting amplified outdoor sound or using, operating or permitting the operation of any sound amplifying equipment outdoors for any purpose in such a manner as to permit sound to be plainly audible at 50 feet beyond the real property boundary where the sound originates is prohibited after 10:00 p.m. and before 2:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and is prohibited on every other day of the week after 8:00 p.m. and before 10:30 a.m.

(B) Except as provided in §92.07, no person shall use or cause to be used sound amplifying equipment outdoors, unless such person obtains an amplified sound permit from the Town Manager as described herein. The amplified sound permit shall be an annual permit which will be effective for 12 months from the date of issuance. The cost for the annual amplified sound permit shall be \$100 unless otherwise established by the Town Council's fee schedule. The application for such amplified sound permit shall be filed with the Town Manager at least 48 hours in advance of the use.

(C) The Town Manager or designee shall issue an amplified sound permit to the applicant if the application and requested activity are in compliance with this subchapter as determined by the Town Manager. A copy of the amplified sound permit shall be filed in the office of the Town Clerk, shall be in the possession of the person operating the sound amplifying equipment, and shall be promptly displayed and shown to any police officer of the town upon request. Upon issuing the amplified sound permit, the Town Manager shall also provide to the applicant a written statement that explains the applicant's obligations regarding compliance with this subchapter.

(D) In case of an emergency, or other circumstance calling for the immediate use of sound amplifying equipment, so that the 48-hour deadline cannot be met, the Town Manager may waive the deadline upon considering the following circumstances: the intensity or immediacy of the emergency or circumstance; lack of alternatives for accomplishing the same goals by complying with the deadline; prior request by applicant for deadline waivers; and applicant's diligence and course of conduct. The waiver shall be in writing, shall address these waiver standards as applicable, and shall be filed in the office of the Town Clerk.

(E) If a person receives two violations of this subchapter, then the amplified sound permit shall be cancelled by the Town Manager for a six-month time period.

(F) Any person who is found in violation of this subchapter resulting in the cancellation of an amplified sound permit shall have the right to appeal the cancellation to the Town Council. The appeal must be filed in writing with the Town Manager, within ten days of the date of receipt of the notice of cancellation. The fee for filing the appeal shall be \$25, unless otherwise established by the fee schedule, and must be provided at the time of the filing of the appeal. The appeal must contain a written statement setting forth the grounds for appeal. The Town Council shall schedule a hearing and shall give notice of the hearing to the appellant. The decision of the Town Council on appeal shall be final. The Town Council may decide to uphold the decision of the Town Manager, or reinstate a cancelled amplified sound permit.

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