

NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

Directives for the Control and Management of Noise Pollution

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Article 1 National Taiwan University (NTU or “the University”) formulates the NTU *Directives for the Control and Management of Noise Pollution* (“the Directives”) to effectively maintain the tranquility of its campuses.

Article 2 The noise level and measurement standards adopted by the University are as follows:

1. Noise control threshold (“threshold”)

Time period	7 a.m.–10 p.m.	10 p.m.–12 a.m.	12a.m.–7 a.m. the next day
Equivalent continuous sound level (Leq)	60 dBA (or up to 80 dBA for large-scale events)	55 dBA	50 dBA

2. Unit of measurement: A-weighted decibel (dBA), where ‘A’ refers to the A-weighted sound level shown on the noise meter.

3. Measuring instrument: A noise meter that complies with IEC standards.

4. Equivalent continuous sound level (Leq): The average energy level of the noise level measured continuously throughout a specific period of time.

5. Measurement height: The noise meter shall be placed 1.2–1.5 m above the ground.

6. Measurement location: Measurements shall be taken at locations that are most representative of the affected building(s), with a minimum distance of 1 m away from the building walls, while remaining unaffected by traffic noise.

Article 3 The NTU Campus Security, Office of General Affairs (“Campus Security”) shall be responsible for handling reports on noise pollution.

Article 4 Upon discovering a potential violation of noise control standards during campus patrols, or in the event that a noise pollution report is received, Campus Security shall immediately proceed to the location in question and conduct instrument testing. Individuals and activities that exceed the noise threshold shall be advised to reduce their noise levels or be made to stop by Campus Security.

Article 5 Regulations for the control and management of noise in the University’s indoor and outdoor venues are as follows:

1. Organizers of ceremonies, performances, and other ad hoc events shall carefully evaluate the impact of noise on the tranquility of the surrounding areas, and shall obtain the prior approval of the Office of General Affairs before carrying out such events.

2. Units that offer indoor/outdoor venue rentals for the purpose of event organization shall strictly require the renting party to control their noise levels in accordance with the provisions of Article 2 herein. If the noise

produced by a renting party exceeds the stipulated threshold, the unit responsible for the venue shall advise the renting party to improve the situation or suspend the event.

3. For events organized by NTU student clubs on a regular basis, the unit responsible for the processing of said event shall, during the review process, strictly require that the student clubs control their noise levels in accordance with the provisions of Article 2 herein.
4. Event organizers and venue renters shall sign a written declaration as a pledge to comply with the University's regulations on noise control.
5. Noise control at venues belonging to the Department of Athletics shall be subject to the regulations of the Department, which shall also be in charge of handling any noise complaints arising therefrom.

Article 6 Units responsible for new construction projects and large-scale construction activity near classroom buildings or dormitories shall call a pre-construction meeting to provide details on potential sources of noise as well as corresponding noise control measures. These units shall implement said measures during the course of construction to minimize the impact of construction noise. In order to enforce the noise control measures described in the preceding paragraph, the unit responsible for the construction project may, if necessary, invite professionals as well as faculty members, staff, and students affected by the construction project to establish an environmental protection and occupational safety and health task force to deliberate on relevant issues.

Article 7 Matters not addressed herein shall be subject to the applicable regulations of the University.

Article 8 The Directives shall be passed by the Administrative Meeting and then implemented on the date of promulgation.