

CHAPTER 13 – MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND OFFENSES

Sec. 13-90 Noise; definitions.

(a) “Decibel” or “dB” means a unit that denotes the ratio between two quantities which are proportional to power; the number of decibels corresponding to the ratio of two amounts of power is ten (10) times the logarithm to the base of ten (10) of this ratio.

(b) "Law enforcement restitution" means all personal services cost attributed to the responding law enforcement officer for the amount of time actually spent in responding to or remaining at the party, gathering or event. Also includes actual costs incurred by the City for medical treatment to injured officers; costs of repair to damaged City or officer equipment; value of damaged City or officer equipment in event the same cannot be repaired.

(c) “Law enforcement special security assignment” means the assignment of law enforcement officers and services incident to a second call to a location after the distribution of a written warning to the person responsible that the party, gathering or event violates A.R.S. §13-2904 et. seq.

(d) “Noise Level” means the “A” weighed sound pressure level in decibels obtained by using a sound level meter at slow response with a reference pressure of twenty micropascals. The unit of measurement shall be designated as dBA.

(e) "Party, gathering or event" means two or more persons assembled or gathered on private property.

(f) “Person” means any individual, firm, association, partnership, joint venture or corporation.

(g) “Person responsible” means the person or entity that owns or exercises control over the property where the party, gathering or event takes place, the person in charge of the premises and/or the organizer of the event, providing the same have been provided notice of the disturbance. If the person responsible is a minor, the parents or legal guardians of that minor shall be jointly and severally liable for the law enforcement restitution irrespective of the fact the parents or legal guardians had no prior notice of the violation to the extent permitted under Title 12, Chapter 6, Article 7, Section 12-661, Arizona Revised Statutes.

(h) “Public space” means any real property or structures on real property, owned by a government entity and normally accessible to the public, including but not limited to parks and other residential areas.

(i) “Residential area” means any real property which contains a structure or building in which one or more persons reside, provided that the structure of building is properly zoned, or is legally non conforming, for residential use in accordance with the terms and maps of the Peoria Zoning Ordinance.

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