

NOISE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members:	5
Appointed By:	Board of Selectmen
Length of A Member's Term:	3 years, staggered
Appointments Made:	September 30
Meeting Times:	As Posted

Description: The Noise Advisory Committee shall advise the Selectmen on issues related to the noise by-law. The Committee is charged with annually reviewing the entire noise by-law, monitoring its efficacy and suggesting updates to the noise by-law and the regulatory process that would establish and maintain noise standards throughout the community; recommend amendments to the by-laws and regulations and, if required, propose appropriations so that the noise by-law and the related set of regulations can be effectively implemented and administered.

The Noise Advisory Committee shall work closely with other Town committees, town departments and with the neighborhoods dealing with noise related problems, including providing technical assistance where appropriate, and shall coordinate its efforts with the Hanscom Field Towns (HATS) Environmental Subcommittee on such issues as the location of Hanscom noise monitors and aircraft engine run-up problems.

The Committee shall review on a quarterly basis all the recorded complaints and the filed complaint forms concerning disturbing noise, and report to the Selectmen areas of concern. The Selectmen may refer to the committee for review all requests for exemptions and Special Permits, and after consultation with the Selectmen and proper notice by the Selectmen to the affected parties, hold public meetings, conduct site visits if appropriate, and make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.

Criteria for Membership: The Noise Advisory Committee will include seven members at-large from the various geographic areas of the community and liaisons from the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Board of Health, HATS Environmental Subcommittee and the Chamber of Commerce, or their designee.

Ref.: Revised charge adopted by the Selectmen on January 12, 2004.

Board of Selectmen voted to designate as Special Municipal Employees on 1/18/06.

Revised charge adopted by the Selectmen on December 21, 2011.

Revised charge adopted by the Selectmen on January 23, 2012, revising membership to 5.