

CHECKLIST ON NOISE CONTROL MEASURES FOR LIQUOR LICENSED ESTABLISHMENTS

There are many useful considerations for reducing noise from a liquor licensed establishment. The following checklist can be used to ensure some generally adopted measures have been considered in the planning or implementation stage of such an operation. However, it should not be used as a replacement of proper noise assessment and evaluation of measures to suit individual circumstances.

If you are a new applicant for liquor licence, have you considered to :

- ☐ locate the premises at a non-noise sensitive area during the planning stage
- ☐ consult an acoustic expert for carrying out Noise Impact Assessment

If you are a new applicant for liquor licence or an existing liquor licensee, and your licensed premises is located at a noise sensitive area, have you considered to :

- ☐ install sound trap lobby
- ☐ install acoustic doors
- ☐ install double-glazed or acoustically sealed windows
- ☐ close all doors and windows during operation hours
- ☐ equip doors with self-closing mechanism
- ☐ maintain the volume of your sound systems at low levels
- ☐ install a sound limiter
- ☐ establish a communication hotline

If the upper floor of the premises is for residential use, have you considered to :

- ☐ install floating ceiling

If the building structure of premises is next to residential use, have you considered to :

- ☐ construct drywalls

If loudspeakers are installed in premises,

(i) with the loudspeakers mounted on walls or ceiling, have you considered to :

- ☐ place speakers away from windows, doors and party wall
- ☐ use spring isolators

(ii) with the loudspeakers placed on floor, have you considered to :

- ☐ place speakers away from windows, doors and party wall
- ☐ use anti-vibration pad

If dance floor is provided inside the premises, have you considered to :

- ☐ install floating floor and anti-vibration system for the dancing floor

If the premises includes outdoor areas adjacent to residential areas, have you considered to:

- ☐ restrict or prohibit patrons from access to exposed areas for drinking at all time especially at night
- ☐ avoid placing loudspeakers or TV outside the premises
- ☐ post notices to advise patrons to be considerate and refrain from speaking in loud voice

If fixed plant and machinery have been installed for the premises, have you considered to:

- ☐ erect a barrier between the outdoor units/chiller and the nearby residential buildings
- ☐ fabricate a complete enclosure
- ☐ install acoustic louver
- ☐ locate the plant and machinery away from residential properties as far as possible

During the cleaning and handling of bottles, have you considered to :

- ☐ locate refuse and storage areas away from residential blocks, and shielded them
- ☐ avoid carrying out the job during the night or early morning
- ☐ provide rubber wheeled bins
- ☐ provide a smooth pathway