

DIY AND GARDENING

- Do you really like your neighbourhood sounding like a building site?
- Restrict DIY and building activities to sociable hours.
- Oil the wheels of silence, keep mowers, drills and other equipment in good order to minimise noise levels.
- Get your neighbours co-operation - tell them when you are about to start a noisy project.
- Music while you work is fine, but not if the whole street has to share it.

NOISE IS UNWANTED SOUND

PARTIES

- When you have a party at home, have consideration for your neighbours.
- Tell your neighbours well in advance so that they are prepared for extra noise.
- Remember late night parties in flats are not likely to be enjoyed by the neighbours, so keep the music down.
- If the party goes on beyond 11pm then noise must be kept to a minimum.;
- Your guests may have had a great time, but do your neighbours really want to know? Ask guests to keep fond farewells, slamming car doors and hooted goodbyes to a minimum.

REMEMBER QUIETNESS IS CARING

PETS

- Dogs particularly like the sound of their own voice especially when it comes to passers by, so don't let your dog bark unreasonably.
- Consider your neighbours when leaving dogs alone/outside.
- If your dog has things to occupy it, it will be less likely to bark through boredom.

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CAR AND MOTORCYCLE REPAIRS

- Don't turn the streets into a bike or car repair shop, keep these activities to a minimum in your drive or garage.

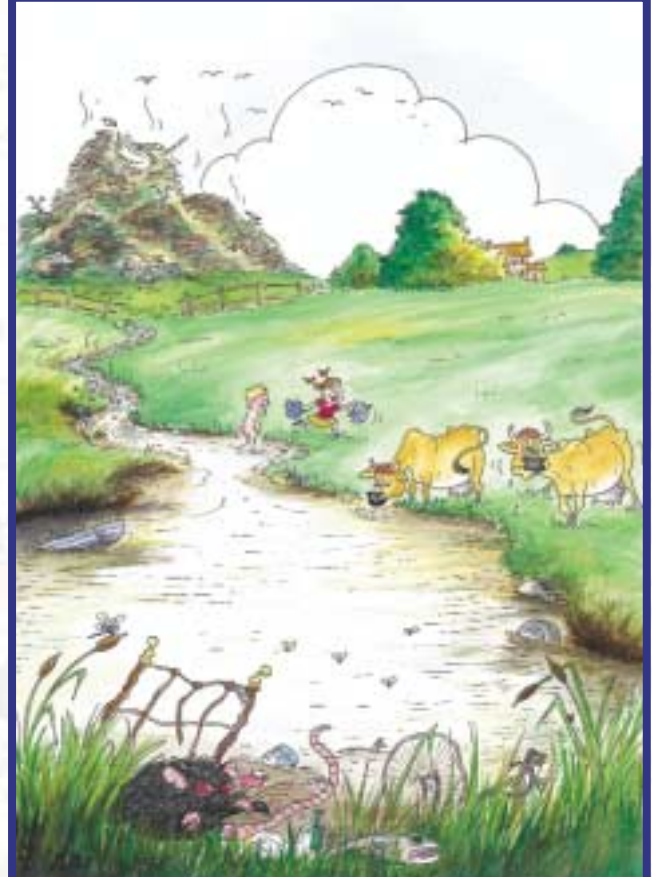
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Further advice and information is available from

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Statutory Nuisance Law



Circumstances that *may* be able to be dealt with as "statutory nuisances" under this law include —

PREMISES HARMFUL TO HEALTH
ACCUMULATIONS
SMOKE OR FUMES
NOISE OR VIBRATION
DUST OR SMELLS
POOR ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

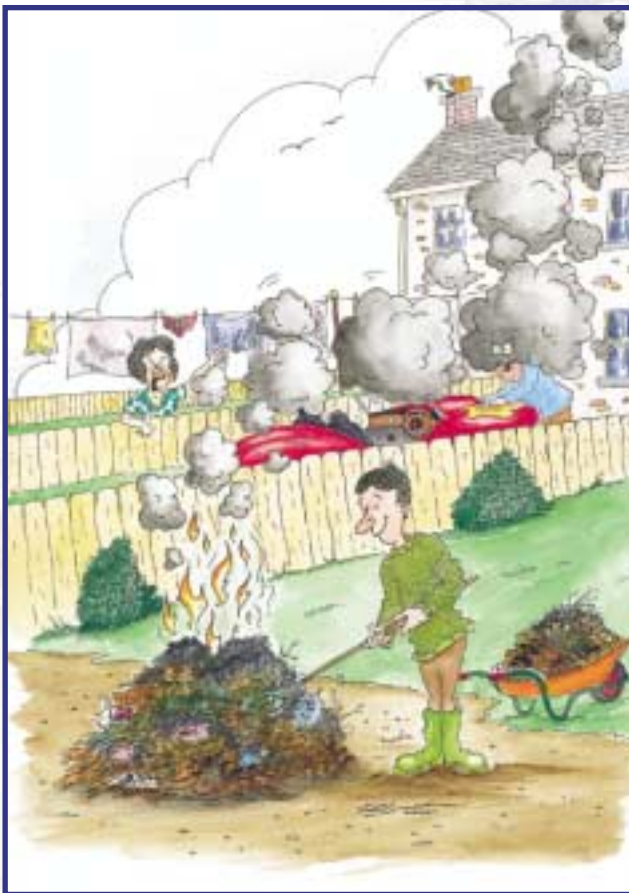


NUISANCE

A statutory nuisance must present a health risk or a significant nuisance. Generally if something is **unreasonably** interfering with your enjoyment of your house or land and is happening on more than one occasion it may be considered a statutory nuisance.

What to do

1. Approach the person causing the nuisance and explain the problem politely
2. You could write to the person explaining the effect on yourself and referring to any past conversations or agreements. Keep a copy of the letter. Start a diary of dates and times of any nuisance and the effect on you.
3. If the nuisance continues contact Environmental Health for advice.



BONFIRE GUIDELINES

- Never burn household rubbish, rubber tyres, or anything containing plastic, foam or paint.
- Never use old engine oil, meths or petrol to light the fire or encourage it.
- Avoid lighting a fire in unsuitable weather conditions - smoke hangs in the air on damp, still days and in the evening. If it is windy, smoke may be blown into neighbours' gardens and across roads. Be aware of where the smoke will blow.
- Be considerate.
- Never leave a fire unattended or leave it to smoulder - douse it with water if necessary.
- Jersey has excellent refuse disposal facilities, use them. Take waste to a proper site.



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AMPLIFIED MUSIC

Remember your taste in music may not be shared by others so:-

- Position TV's radios and stereo speakers away from walls adjoining neighbouring houses or flats.
- Keep the volume of amplified music at a reasonable level at all times.
- Remember if you are a flat dweller your neighbours are all around you.