



Planning an Event?

During this Carnival Season 2012, the Environmental Management Authority (EMA) wishes to remind the public about the Noise Pollution Control Rules. If you plan to use amplified sound, the Rules state that "any person or organization that proposes to conduct or facilitate an event or activity that may breach the prescribed noise standards should apply for a Noise Variation".



Steps for applying for a Noise Variation:

- Place a notice in one daily newspaper for two consecutive days, at least five weeks or 35 days before the event/activity.
- Submit to the EMA, the application form (in duplicate), including a map of the location of your event and a copy of a valid form of ID of the applicant at least 28 days before the event/activity.
- Pay the prescribed fee of \$250.

Deadline dates for an event taking place on Carnival Monday & Tuesday (February 20th & 21st) are as follows:

- Newspaper notices publication date: **16th and 17th January, 2012**, respectively
- Application form submission date: **23rd and 24th January, 2012**, respectively

These conditions are pre-requisites in the process of determining whether a Variation is granted.

Remember, exceeding the standards without a Noise Variation is against the law!



For more information, please contact the EMA at 628-8042 ext. 3259, 3268 and 2253, download a Noise Variation application form at www.ema.co.tt or visit our offices at:
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