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Noise is managed and regulated through municipal, provincial and federal guidelines and regulations:

Federal Government	Provincial Government	Municipal Government
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National guidelines and regulations for various types of noise, including general guidelines for exposure in the workplace, noise from aircraft, transportation, federal infrastructure projects, federal railways and wind turbines • The <i>Canadian Transportation Act</i>- Includes regulations for aircraft noise management, aviation regulations for noise, as well as guidelines for complaints over railway noise and vibration • Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations set noise emissions standards for motor vehicles • Noise under federal regulation includes federal infrastructure projects, federal railways, airports and aircraft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Occupational Health and Safety Act</i>- Noise protection requirements from workplaces, including construction, health care, schools and fire/police services • <i>Highway Traffic Act</i>- Provisions to manage noise from the operation of motor vehicles • <i>Environmental Protection Act</i>- Regulates environmental noise emissions by establishing sound level limits for stationary industrial and renewable energy sources, and setting requirements for noise impact studies for land use planning decisions • Noise under provincial regulations includes provincial infrastructure project, provincial railways, highways and wind turbines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Municipal Act, 2001</i> empowers municipalities to enact noise by-laws to control sound (noise)