The aim of this policy is to ensure adherence to any regulatory & legislative requirements in relation to Noise.

This policy is to be read in conjunction with:

* [Environmental Protection (Noise) Policy 2007](http://legislation.sa.gov.au/LZ/C/POL/ENVIRONMENT%20PROTECTION%20%28NOISE%29%20POLICY%202007.aspx)
* [Local Nuisance & Litter Control regulations SA](https://bowhilleng.sharepoint.com/NCR/Lists/NCR%20%20Environment/Attachments/16/Local%20Nuisance%20and%20Litter%20Control%20Regulations%20SA%202017.2.UN.PDF) 2016
* MMC Info Sheet 94 – Nuisance Management Plan
* MMC Info Sheet 90 – Nuisance (Noise)

Bowhill Engineering has defined the following:

* **Applicable Hours**
	+ 6am to 9pm Monday to Saturday
	+ 6am to 7pm Sundays & Public Holidays if work is essential.
* **Standard work hours**:

7:30am to 4pm Monday to Thursday and to 1:45pm Friday

* **Standard Overtime** 1.5 hours before and after Standard work hours
6am to 5:30pm
* **Non-Standard Overtime**
	+ Sundays
	+ Public Holidays
	+ Time above Standard Overtime

All work prior to 7am, we will:

* Keep all doors shut
* No radio
* Continue Noise Assessment testing to ensure noise at gate does not go over 60db

Work that can proceed prior to 7am

* Forklift & Crane use
* Fabrication & Welding
* Blast & Paint – providing doors shut

Bowhill Engineering will submit a **Request for Exemption** from Section 18 Local Nuisance & Litter Control Regulations SA 2016 for work to continue outside of Applicable Hours (note Standard Hours are within Applicable Hours).

Approved **Requests for Exemption** will be displayed, along with this policy, on our website. Contact. Please contact Jeremy Hawkes, Managing Director with any queries.

To support this policy, Bowhill Engineering will:

* Update our Noise Assessment Register to distinguish between maximum & continuous noise levels.
* Install Internal Signage around workshop reminding staff, “limited noise applies prior to 7am Mon-Sat & 9am Sun”

Bowhill Engineering will also take all Noise Complaints seriously, handling the matter as an NCR – Environment – 3rd Party as per our NCR Procedures, to ensure we adequately track & record all immediate & corrective actions.

Communication methods available to the community are:

* *“In the first instance a person should try & discuss concerns with the people from where the nuisance is emanating from, as they may not be aware that they are causing a nuisance. Concerns should be raised and discussed, and suggestions provided to resolve problems – simple solutions can often be found that satisfy everyone”* – Mid Murray Council – Info Sheet 90 – Local Nuisance & Litter Control Act 2016 – Nuisance (Noise)
* Discussion with Mid Murray Council, Manager – Regulatory Services who can mediate (confidentiality if required, through phone conference).
* Bowhill Progress Association committee members are available to taking concerns & feedback if individuals are not comfortable speaking directly to Bowhill Engineering Staff.
* Environmental Community Surveys are distributed biennially for individuals wanting to give confidential feedback

We strongly welcome open discussion with concerned individuals to tailor a win/win solution.

**Request for Exemption** from Section 18 Local Nuisance & Litter Control Regulations SA 2016

As allowable – if required – will contain the following and be submitted within 4 weeks before the activity commences (where possible):

Submitted to: Mid Murray Council – Regulatory Services Coordinator
(08) 8569 0100

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| Submitted by: | C Gladigau | Date Submitted: | 1/01/2023 |
| Requested Start Date: | 1/01/2023 | Requested Finish Date: | 31/12/2023 |

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| Name & Contact Details | **Bowhill Engineering**, 68 Weber Road, Bowhill SA 5238(08) 85704208 – admin@boweng.com.au  |
| Responsible Person | Jeremy Hawkes – Managing Director |
| Exceptional circumstances | Eg Overtime required to meet client deadline |
| Nature of Activity | Eg grinding, forklift use, welding, blast & paint  |
| Kind of Nuisance | Noise |
| Time of day or periods of time: | * 6am start (rather than 7am start) Monday to Saturday – request for 12 month exemption
* Sunday or Public Holiday works – phone call to Mid Murray Council, 1-2 days prior notice for each instance required
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| * fee for the application is the fee (if any) fixed by the relevant council in accordance with section 188(1)(g) of the Local Government Act 1999.
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| * Copy of Exemption to PDF Copies
* Copy of Policy & Exemption to www.boweng.com.au
* [Licences & Registrations](https://bowhilleng.sharepoint.com/IMS/IMS%20Shared/Licenses%20and%20Registrations.docx) updated with latest exemption dates
* File copy: JJ Filing Cabinet: Environment Correspondence
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