

NOISE QUESTIONNAIRE

Environmental noise Directive

Legal reference

Directive 2002/49/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2002 relating to the assessment and management of environmental noise - Declaration by the Commission in the Conciliation Committee on the Directive relating to the assessment and management of environmental noise (OJ L 189 18.07.2002 p. 12) EUR-Lex hyperlink [html](#) [pdf](#)

A. Which parts of the provisions of the Directive have been transposed?

The Directive (2002/49/EC) was transposed to the Turkish legislation by the By-law on Assessment and Management of Environmental Noise (Official Gazette: 1 July 2005 No. 25862)

B. When is transposition foreseen for the remaining measures?

No remaining measures.

C. What have been achieved as regards?

- **Designating competent authority/ies and bodies (Art. 4)**

Based on the Articles 6, 8 and 10 of the By-law competent authorities and bodies are designated as follows: the Ministry of Environment and Forestry is responsible for approving and collecting noise maps and action plans in accordance with the Article 6 and municipalities are responsible for preparation of strategic noise maps and action plans for agglomeration in accordance with Article 8. Besides, according to the Article 10, authorities responsible for the administration of noise sources are the Ministry of Public Works and Settlements for state highways; Municipalities for roads which are constructed by municipalities; the Ministry of Transport and private sector for airports; the Ministry of Transport for railways.

- **Choosing noise indicators (Arts. 3 & 5)**

Noise indicators (L_{den} , L_{day} , $L_{evening}$ and L_{night}) have been identified by the Article 19 and Annex I of the By-law. Supplementary noise indicators can be applied for the situations listed in Annexes I.

- **Establishing noise assessment methods (Art. 6)**

Noise assessment methods have been established by the Article 20 of the By-law. Besides, methods for determining harmful effects have been established by means of the dose-effect relations in accordance with Article 20.

According to the Articles 6, 9 and 20 of the By-law, the guide for effective analysis of dose-effect relation is prepared by the Ministry of Environment and Forestry in coordination with the Ministry of Health.

- **Identifying areas concerned by strategic noise maps and action plans (Art. 7)**

Pursuant to Article 32, the areas to be covered by strategic noise maps and action plans will be identified until 2011 for all agglomerations with more than 250,000 inhabitants and for all major roads which have more than six million vehicle passages a year, major railways which have more than 60,000 train passages per year and for major airports.

Article 32 also states that the areas to be covered by strategic noise maps and action plans will be identified until 2014 for all major roads and major railways and agglomerations with more than 100,000 inhabitants.

- **Preparing strategic noise maps (Art. 7)**

Strategic noise maps will be prepared until 2013 for all agglomerations with more than 250,000 inhabitants, for all major roads which have more than six million vehicle passages a year, major railways which have more than 60,000 train passages per year and for major airports in accordance with Article 32.

Strategic noise maps for all agglomerations and for all major roads and railways will be prepared until 2018 in accordance with Article 32.

- **Establishing public consultation procedures on proposed action plans (Art. 8.7)**

Pursuant to the Article 33, effective opportunities are provided for public participation in preparation and revision of action plans. These action plans are subjected to public consultation by the organizations responsible to prepare them. The results of consultation have to be taken into consideration and public must be informed about the decisions.

- **Establishing procedures for co-operation with neighbouring Member States (Arts. 7.4 & 8.6)**

Not applicable before membership.

- **Preparing action plans (Art. 8)**

Action plans will be prepared until 2014 for all agglomerations with more than 250,000 inhabitants and for all major roads which have more than six million vehicle passages a year, for major railways which have more than 60,000 train passages per year and for major airports in accordance with Article 33.

Action plans will be prepared until 2019 for all agglomerations and for all major roads and major railways in accordance with Article 33.

- **Establishing procedures for provision of information to the public (Art. 9)**

Procedures for provision of information to the public are established in accordance with Article 34.