

Ernest Spaight's Plaza Sound Policy

This policy provides for the administrative control of non-amplified and amplified sound and associated equipment in the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee Ernest Spaight's Plaza.

This Policy permits the use of sound amplifying equipment, if needed, for the dissemination of ideas and music, to large audiences, but to prevent or limit its use from interfering with University functions, which inherently require quiet environment.

This policy is intended to control sound levels as well as the duration and time of any performance or activity for which sound amplification is used. This policy will also cover non-amplified sound events, i.e. symphony performances etc.

1. No person or group may use sound amplification equipment without the written approval of the Auxiliary Services Director. Only one amplified sound request will be approved per week on Spaight's Plaza.
2. Such approval must be requested in writing at the Conferences and Reservations Department and signed by the applicant/sponsor using the Amplified Sound Request Form.
3. All requests must be made a minimum of (10) Business Days prior to the scheduled event.
4. All program shall be between 12:00pm-1:30pm and/or 5:00pm-7:00pm. For amplified sound events, a ten (10) minute sound check shall be permitted beginning at 11:30am or 4:30pm. Arrangements are to be made with the Audio visual Technician for a sound check.
5. Maximum sound levels on the UWM Campus are to be no greater than 92 dBA average plus or minus 4 dBA at 20' from any speaker used.
6. Arrangements for the loading/unloading of equipment must be made prior to the event. Motor Vehicles may be driven on the Spaight's Plaza with advance authorization from the Auxiliary Services director. Vehicles must be removed unless loading or unloading (No Parking).
7. All Spaight's Plaza amplified sound events require a Conferences and Reservations Department AV Technician and/or a Union Building Security Supervisor.
8. Upon approval, the sponsoring organization, with the assistance of Reservations & Event Planning Services AV Technician, shall monitor the program throughout its duration. Under the direction of the Staff Services (Union Security) the technician

shall terminate sound amplification for violations of this policy. The sponsoring organization shall incur the cost of the assigned technician. Signature on the Reservation Master copy by the applicant/sponsor shall constitute acceptance of the terms stated herein.

9. This policy is pursuant to the Wisconsin Administrative Code, UWS 18.06 Conduct on University Lands. (25)

Concerns or appeals to this policy may be directed to the Union Policy Board Executive Committee.