



Noise Management Strategy: O2 Victoria Warehouse Manchester

Introduction:

O2 Victoria Warehouse Manchester understands the importance of noise management for live music venues. This noise management plan outlines the measures that we have in place to prevent excessive noise levels and ensure minimal neighbourhood disturbances. The venue operators have engaged F1 Acoustics, who specialise in music festival and event sound control and noise management. This plan incorporates F1's sound monitoring practices and outlines their approach to noise management.

F1 Acoustics Noise Management Approach:

F1 Acoustics approach to noise management is comprehensive. They have qualified staff, specialised equipment, and a detailed strategy to manage noise levels. They will be carrying out noise monitoring at the venue to ensure that it complies with appropriate sound levels. They also provide noise monitoring within a 2-mile radius of the venue at noise sensitive locations with direct communication to the sound engineers of each show. F1 Acoustics also provides advice on any necessary changes to the venue setup to minimise noise pollution from the venue.

Load-In and Load-Out Times:

At O2 Victoria Warehouse, we strive to minimise any potential neighbourhood disturbances during load-in and load-out times. For our live music events, we have implemented guidelines that indicate that load-ins should only take place from 8 am onwards and all loadouts must be completed by 1 am.

While we endeavour to adhere to our load-in and load-out schedule, we acknowledge that certain situations may require deviations. In such cases, we encourage open communication with our partners to find suitable solutions for all parties involved."

External Stages/Amplified Music:

At O2 Victoria Warehouse, our commitment to the local community is of paramount importance. We recognize the potential impact that our activities may have on our neighbours and, therefore, take a proactive approach towards minimising any potential disturbances. In order to foster and maintain positive relationships, external stages and amplified music are strictly prohibited in areas controlled by our venue, including the Coal Yard and E3 Carpark. These measures are fundamental in safeguarding the local community's tranquillity and ensuring that they are protected against any harmful noise pollution or other disruptive activities.

Fire Doors:

At O2 Victoria Warehouse, we take the safety of our guests, staff, and the public very seriously. As such, we have installed double fire doors in the venue to prevent the spread of fire and enhance safety in case of an emergency.

These fire doors also serve a dual purpose of minimising noise pollution by ensuring minimal noise emanates from the venue. We believe that this is a proactive measure that enhances the safety of our guests while at the same time ensuring we are good neighbours, mindful of those living close to our venue.

In addition to the above, we have further addressed the issue of noise pollution by installing Acoustic load-in our doors. Our doors are an essential part of our venue, providing access for touring productions and equipment. However, they can also be a significant source of noise pollution if not properly designed. To address this issue, we have installed acoustic doors to reduce noise levels. This measure has played a significant role in mitigating noise pollution in the surrounding area.

Sound Attenuation/Treatment/Damping:

O2 Victoria Warehouse is committed to reducing noise pollution in the vicinity. To achieve this, the venue has installed sound attenuation, treatment and damping around the venue. External areas where the public tend to congregate, such as the smoking area in the Coal Yard and Production Alley where the touring party congregate, have been outfitted with soundproofing technology. The measures put in place here have been carefully planned to address the issue of noise pollution in a way that ensures minimal disturbance to our neighbours.

We take pride in our role in the community and are dedicated to ensuring that our venue operates in an environmentally responsible manner. By implementing sound attenuation, treatment and damping technology, we are able to reduce noise pollution.

Bin Collection within Sociable Hours:

Noise pollution can be a major concern for people, particularly those living in the locality of the venue. At O2 Victoria Warehouse Manchester, we take our role in reducing noise pollution seriously, and have implemented a number of measures to achieve this. As part of our noise reduction efforts, we have arranged for bin collections to occur during sociable

hours. By doing this, we can minimise the impact of noise pollution on nearby residents while still ensuring that our venue remains clean and well-managed.

Deliveries within Sociable Hours:

Another strategy we have implemented is to schedule deliveries during sociable hours. This ensures that we can continue to operate effectively while minimising the impact of noise pollution on surrounding communities. We liaise with our suppliers and logistics partners to coordinate delivery times that fall within sociable hours and avoid peak traffic periods, such as rush hour, to minimise noise pollution. This approach has been successful in reducing noise pollution.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, O2 Victoria Warehouse Manchester is dedicated to managing noise levels and reducing noise pollution in the surrounding area. Our partnership with F1 Acoustics and our comprehensive noise management approach ensures that appropriate sound levels are maintained at all times. We take a proactive approach to managing potential disturbances, such as implementing guidelines for load-in and load-out times and prohibiting external stages and amplified music in our controlled areas. Our installation of double fire doors and acoustic doors serves a dual purpose of enhancing safety and reducing noise pollution. We have also implemented sound attenuation, treatment, and damping technology in and around the venue, as well as arranging for bin collections and deliveries to occur during sociable hours. As a responsible member of the community, we are committed to operating in an environmentally responsible manner and maintaining positive relationships with our neighbours.

O2 Victoria Warehouse is committed to reducing noise pollution, and these measures are just a few examples of the steps we are taking to achieve this goal.