

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES AT TAPPS EVENTS

- **Noisemakers - Fieldhouses, Gyms and, Indoor Events**

- Noisemakers are prohibited at TAPPS events held indoors.
- Noisemakers include:
 - Horns of any kind
 - Sirens
 - Whistles
 - Megaphones
 - Cans or bottles making rattle cans
 - Drums or drumlike instruments
 - Percussive noise makers including blocks, thunder sticks, other similar objects
- At no time shall objects be used to strike any surface of the facility.
- Personnel and players in team areas are prohibited from using any noisemakers during the contest.
- No sound systems, other than the one(s) provided by the host school for the PA system are allowed.
 - This includes portable speakers
- ***Game officials have the authority to disallow use of any device deemed a distraction.***

- **Noisemakers - Football and Soccer**

- **Allowable Noisemakers**
 - Percussive noisemakers including blocks, thunder sticks, other similar objects
 - Percussive noisemakers such as plastic cans, metals cans (drumsticks or similar device to strike)
 - Handheld noisemakers including
 - Cowbells
 - Thunder Sticks
 - Shaker Cans or Bottles
- **Prohibited Noisemakers**
 - Whistles of any kind
 - Horns of any kind including

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- Battery operated, blowing into the horn, electrical bullhorn or similar
- No air horns
- No compressed air horns
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- Personnel and players in the team areas are prohibited from using any noisemakers during the contest.
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● Noisemakers - Baseball and Softball

○ Allowable Noisemakers

- Handheld noisemakers including
 - Cowbells
 - Thunder Sticks
 - Shaker Cans or Bottles

○ Prohibited Noisemakers

- Whistles
- Horns of any kind including
 - Battery operated, blowing into the horn, electrical, bullhorn or similar
 - No Air horns
 - No Compressed Air horns
- Percussive noise makers such as drumsticks or similar device to strike cans, plastic buckets, metal buckets or stadium fixtures
- At no time shall objects be used to strike any surface of the facility
- Personnel and players in the team areas (dugouts, bullpen, bench, etc.) are prohibited from using any noisemakers during the contest.

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- No sound systems, other than the one(s) provided by the host school for the PA system are allowed.
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 - All team areas are subject to this restriction prior to and during contests.
 - This rule also applies to fans in the stands
- Streamers, confetti, glitter, or other such materials are not permitted.
- No dogs or other animals are allowed at all TAPPS hosted contests.
- Live animal mascots are prohibited at all TAPPS athletic contests.
- Cannons, firearms, fireworks, flamethrowers, and other similar devices are prohibited at all TAPPS contests
- Except in their normal course of business, emergency vehicles shall not flash lights or sound sirens during the course of a game.
- Bands, when permitted, shall play only during time-outs and intermissions. (Individual instruments may not be used as noisemakers)
- Body paint and like decoration shall not be permitted by players or spectators. (Exception: Small markings as sold by cheer or other school organization on the cheek are permitted)
- The use of, or appearance of using, any controlled substance (alcohol, drugs, etc.) before, during or after games at contest sites is prohibited by TAPPS.
- Signs
 - No signs may be attached to the host facility or placed in available seating.
 - All signs, if allowed, must be hand held at all times.
 - Signs may not be derogatory in nature.