

I would like to see deliveries requiring trucks to back up banned during the hours that garbage pickup is banned (10pm to 7 am) if the trucks make loud beeping noises while backing up and the delivery site is within 2 blocks of a residential building. I've had this problem with Bergmann's and other delivery trucks backing up to the Renaissance Hotel on NH Ave between L and M Streets NW for years. Not all trucks make those noises, I've observed, so trucks still should be able to use these overnight hours to make deliveries and pick ups if they do not make noises that wake up residents. This could be a complete ban, or it could allow deliveries *unless* a particular DC government agency (e.g., DCRA or the Attorney General) received a certain number of complaints from nearby residents. Fines for violations should match those for violating the garbage pickup times (\$1,000 per violation, I believe). Also, weekend/holiday permitted delivery hours should not begin at 7 am – they should be more like 10am, or 9am at the earliest. For Pete's sake, let us sleep in!

Separately, hotel concierges should be banned from using whistles (either a physical whistle or just whistling with their mouths/fingers, etc.) to get cabs. Some of the concierges at the Renaissance Hotel on New Hampshire Avenue between L and M Streets, NW whistle for cabs excruciatingly loudly and piercingly, raising my blood pressure and making it difficult to relax. Everyone other than hotel concierges seem to be able to get cabs by simply raising their arms and/or calling out "taxi" so these buffoons should be able to do that also, or they could simply call for cabs via Uber or a similar service.