

What is the Port of Orcas doing about Noise Abatement?

The Port of Orcas has a [Noise Abatement Procedure](#) that requests pilots avoid certain populated and noise-sensitive areas. We are currently gathering data and feedback as we look at updating the Noise Abatement Procedure.

What happens when a member of the public submits a complaint about aircraft noise or low-flying aircraft?

The Port Manager logs it in a spreadsheet, crosschecks the information on flight databases and, if a tail number is provided, contacts the pilot either on the ground or by issuing a letter with Noise Abatement Procedures.

How can I track air traffic in the area?

- ADSB: <https://globe.adsbexchange.com>
- Flight Radar 24: <https://www.flightradar24.com/52.52,13.39/4>
- Flight Aware: <https://www.flightaware.com>

Does the Port of Orcas have enforcement authority over airspace surrounding Orcas Island.

No. However, many pilots do their best to follow community noise abatement procedures.

What can the Port of Orcas do to encourage pilots to follow Noise Abatement Procedures?

The Port will continue to educate local and visiting pilots about noise abatement procedures. These are posted to our website, shared with pilots through flight planning websites, by email, and phone.

Once our noise abatement procedure is updated, we will post large signs at each run-up area to educate pilots on best practices for departure.

