

# Noise Descriptions

## Describe That Noise When You Call Tech Line

Identifying noises is one of Tech Line's biggest challenges because every customer, advisor, and technician can have a different description for the same noise, and these descriptions usually don't match the ones in Tech Line's database. To get an accurate repair from Tech Line when you call in with a noise complaint, and for accurate noise descriptions on warranty claims, use one of the sounds from this list:

Noise	Description (sounds like)
Banging	Slamming a wooden screen door
Bonging	Hitting a large gong
Booming	Rumble of distant thunder
Buzzing	Electric razor
Chafing	Rubbing dry hands together
Chattering	Windshield wipers across a dry windshield
Chirping	Bird or cricket call
Clacking	Railroad car wheels rolling on a track
Clanging	Cow bell or dinner bell
Clanking	Wrench dropped on concrete
Clapping	Hands clapping
Clashing	Cymbals hitting together
Clattering	Falling bowling pins
Clicking	Extending and retracting a ballpoint pen
Clinking	Empty bottles hitting each other
Clunking	Slamming a heavy wooden door
Cracking	Ice cubes breaking when dropped in water
Crackling	Wood burning in a fireplace
Creaking	Opening a door with rusty hinges
Croaking	Frog call
Crunching	Walking on dry snow
Droning	Distant propeller-driven airplane
Drumming	Nervous fingers tapping a desk
Fluttering	Flag flapping in the wind
Grating	Shovel raked over pavement
Grinding	Sharpening a tool on a grinding wheel
Groaning	Twisting wooden beam on a ship
Growling	Dog protecting his food
Gurgling	Water down a bathtub drain
Hissing	Leaking tire
Hooting	Owl call
Howling	Wind blowing through a leaky door
Humming	High-voltage transformer
Jingling	Keys hitting each other

Noise	Description (sounds like)
Knocking	Knuckles rapping a wooden door
Moaning	Blowing across the top of an empty bottle
Oil canning	Flexing a metal gas can
Pattering	Rain drops hitting a window
Pinging	Pebbles rolling around in a tin can
Popping	Cork coming out of a champagne bottle
Pounding	Hitting your fist on a desk
Rapping	Judge using a gavel
Roaring	Speeding 4x4 truck with open-tread tires
Rumbling	Bowling ball rolling down an alley
Scratching	Rubbing two pieces of paper together
Slapping	Dribbling a basketball on a hardwood floor
Squealing	Skidding tires
Ticking	Tapping a pencil point on a desk
Whining	Distant siren
Whistling	Steam coming out of a tea kettle

