

# FIREWORKS SAFETY

## Be a good neighbor and know when you can and can't use fireworks:

Summer nights + fireworks may seem to pair well but did you know fireworks are only legal to use on days surrounding specific holidays?

"National holidays" are the following established holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Juneteenth National Independence Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day. This list may be amended to reflect acts of Congress.

(1) No person shall ignite, discharge, or use consumer fireworks, as defined in the Michigan fireworks safety act, Act No. 256 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2011 (MCL 28.451 et seq.), as amended from time to time ("the Act"), except of the type and under the conditions permitted by this section and the Act.

**(2) A person may ignite, discharge, or use consumer fireworks, as defined in the Act, on the following days during the hours specified:**

(a) Between the hours of midnight and 1 a.m. and between the hours of 8 a.m. and 11:59 p.m. on New Year's Day; and

(b) Between the hours of 8 a.m. and 11:59 p.m. on the day of all other national holidays, as well as on the day preceding and the day after New Year's Day and all other national holidays.

Any other ignition, discharge, or use of consumer fireworks is prohibited.

**Never use fireworks under the influence! Alcohol and/or controlled substances and fireworks are a dangerous — and illegal — combo. Also never at city parks, schools, etc.**

### LEARN BEFORE YOU BURN!

Follow these safety tips from Ann Arbor police and fire departments:

- Keep a source of water nearby: connected hose, bucket of water or a fire extinguisher.
- Wet down an ignition area at least 30 feet in diameter.
- Light fireworks on a paved surface and away from grass, trees or other vegetation.
- Watch for fires in the grass or shrubs for 30 minutes after.
- Never pick up used fire works right away.
- Fully soak used/dud fireworks in water and dispose of in the trash, not in recycling.
- Keep kids at a safe distance.

**Ordinance No. 82-92, § 1, 12-7-92; Ordinance. No. 13-14, § 1, 6-17-13; Ordinance. No. 21-39, §§ 1, 2, 12-20-21)**



## QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

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