

The City of Norwalk's top priority during the upcoming holiday is the safety and enjoyment of our community. Ensure the best Independence Day for you and your neighbors by making yourself aware of the laws and consequences of violation.



City Rules & Regulations

- Only Safe and Sane fireworks are to be sold, purchased, or possessed in the City of Norwalk.
- No one shall possess fireworks before 10 a.m. July 1 or after 10 p.m. July 4.
- Fireworks may only be discharged July 1, 2, 3, and 4 between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m.
- Fireworks may only be sold July 1 through July 4 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- You must be 18 years of age or older to purchase fireworks.
- No one younger than 18 shall possess, fire, set off, discharge or use any firework unless he or she is physically supervised by a person over the age of 21.
- Minors under 18 in possession of fireworks and not directly supervised by someone 21 years of age or older may have fireworks confiscated by a law enforcement officer, Fire Department employee or any adult. The seized fireworks must be delivered to the Fire Department within one hour after confiscation.
- No one shall possess or discharge fireworks on City property, including City parks, streets, and sidewalks.

Safety Tips

- Do not allow children to light fireworks. Safe and Sane fireworks must be discharged in the presence of a responsible adult 21 years of age or older.
- Keep a water supply (large bucket of water or water hose) nearby. Designate someone to monitor activity and be ready with a water source.
- Soak discharged fireworks in water before tossing them in the trash can.
- Only light one firework item at a time and do not modify any fireworks. Firework modification can result in serious injuries.
- Do not consume any alcohol while lighting or handling fireworks: This increases the possibility of injury.
- Read all caution labels, directions, and warnings on fireworks for product performance and dangers.
- Always light fireworks on a hard, flat, level surface.
- Keep the audience a safe distance from the shooting site. Light fireworks in an area away from buildings, vehicles, shrubbery, dry grass and any flammable items.
- Be extra cautious when lighting fireworks during strong winds. Fireworks should be lit with the wind blowing away from spectators.

Reminders

- The City has “zero tolerance” for discharging firearms and illegal fireworks, and will seek maximum penalties for any and all violations.
- Citations will be issued to those in possession of, discharging, or distributing illegal fireworks. Violators are subject to arrest and fines of \$1,000.00.
- The City will bill all nuisance locations that violate the City’s “zero tolerance” policy for rendered Sheriff and Public Safety services.