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Safe and Sane 4th of July

As the season of Fourth of July approaches, the City of Post Falls and the Post Falls Police Department want to remind folks of the regulations in place to ensure a safe and enjoyable celebration.

Per City Code 8.08.040, it is unlawful for any person to possess, store, discharge, or use fireworks not marked as Safe and Sane. It is also prohibited to set off any fireworks in areas other than your own private property. Some prohibited areas include public parks, playgrounds, schools, parking lots, alleys, trails, public rights of way, streets, curbs, and sidewalks. The sale and lighting of fireworks are only permitted from June 23rd through July 5th at 10pm.

With an extremely dry and hot spring and summer, the risk of fire danger in our area has greatly increased. We encourage everyone to do their part to prevent fires by following all fireworks rules and regulations as well as making sure to secure matches and lighters after celebrating with Safe and Sane fireworks.

The Post Falls Police Department will work diligently to respond to reports and concerns of illegal use of fireworks throughout this season. To report suspected illegal use to the Police Department, please call their non-emergency number (208) 773-3517. To report a fire or other emergency call 911.

Specific examples of illegal fireworks are:

- Firecrackers, cannon crackers, giant crackers, salutes, silver tube salutes, cherry bombs, mines, ground bombardment, grasshoppers and other explosive articles of similar nature

- Skyrockets and rockets, including all similar devices employing any combustible or explosive material and which rise in the air during discharge
- Roman candles, including all devices which discharge balls of fire into the air
- Chases and whistles, including all devices which dart or travel about the surface of the ground during discharge
- Snakes and hats containing bichloride of mercury
- Sparklers more than ten inches in length or one-fourth inch in diameter or made with other than iron wires
- All articles for pyrotechnic display such as aerial shells, salutes, flash shells, sky battles, parachute shells, mines, dago bombs, and similar devices
- All torpedoes which explode by means of friction, or which contain arsenic, and all other similar fireworks devices including cracker balls
- Fire balloons, lanterns or balloons of any type which have burning material of any kind listed under the ordinance

Thank you for helping to make the Fourth of July Holiday safe for everyone.

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