

City Rules

Possession, storage, handling, and use of class 1.4G fireworks shall be permitted from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. July 3 and 5 and 10 a.m. to midnight July 4.

If under the age of 16 years, unless under the supervision of a parent or guardian, you may not possess or discharge Class 1.4G fireworks within the City.

It is unlawful to possess, store, handle, or use the following fireworks within the City:

- Sparkler bombs
- Sky Lanterns
- Altered or combined fireworks



Fireworks Safety Tips, Rules and Regulations

**Emergency?
Dial 911.**

For more information about fireworks contact the Independence Fire Department, Bureau of Fire Prevention at (816)325-7123 or visit: indep.us/ifdprevention



City Regulations

It shall be unlawful for any person:

- To throw, use, explode, detonate, aim, point, or shoot fireworks in such a manner that it lands on property not owned by that person.
- To throw, use, explode, detonate, or shoot any class 1.4 G fireworks within any structure.
- Discharge fireworks within 600 feet of any church, hospital, mental health facility, or school.
- Discharge fireworks within 100 feet of any location where fireworks are stored, offered for sale, or designated historical site.
- Discharge fireworks within 300 feet of any permanent storage of ignitable liquid, gases, gasoline pump, or gasoline filling station.
- Discharge fireworks within or throw from a motorized vehicle, throw fireworks at another vehicle, or under a motorized vehicle.

Fireworks Safety Recommendations

The National Fire Protection Association and Consumer Product Safety Commission recommends:

- Store fireworks in a cool dry place
- Always read, understand, and then follow directions and warning labels
- Only ignite fireworks outdoors
- Keep a water source or garden hose close
- Only light fireworks on a smooth, flat surface or according to instructions and keep away from structures and combustible or flammable materials
- Be sure others are out of range before lighting fireworks
- Light only one firework at a time and use only a punk or an extended butane lighting device
- Do not attempt to re-ignite malfunctioning fireworks, put them directly into a bucket of water
- Never point or throw fireworks at another person

Sparkler Safety

- Always remain standing while using sparklers
- Never hold a child in your arms while using sparklers
- Do not throw sparklers
- Do not hand a lighted sparkler to another person and always stand at least six feet from another person while using sparklers
- Do not hold or light more than one sparkler at a time
- Always wear closed-toe shoes when using sparklers
- Sparklers reach temperatures up to 1,800 degrees
- Sparkler wires and sticks remain hot long after the flame has gone out
- Be sure to drop the spent sparklers directly into a bucket of water
- Show children how to hold sparklers away from their body and at arm length

