

three hundred dollars (\$300) or by imprisonment for not more than thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

C. Fireworks being used in violation of the Chapter of the Boise City Code will be confiscated by the Boise Fire Department.

HAVE A SAFE AND FUN



Provided by the

BOISE FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

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BE PREPARED

Before Lighting Fireworks

- Use legal fireworks, available at licensed outlets.
- Store fireworks out of children's reach.
- Always read and follow label directions.
- Place pets indoors; they may be easily frightened by fireworks.
- Always have water handy (a garden hose or a bucket of water).

BE SAFE

When Lighting Fireworks

- An Adult should always light fireworks.
- Keep matches and lighters away from children.
- Use outdoors only.
- Light only one firework at a time and move away quickly.
- Keep children and pets away from fireworks.
- Always remember, do not throw fireworks or hold in your hand.

BE RESPONSIBLE

After Lighting Fireworks

- Soak used fireworks thoroughly in a bucket of water.
- Dispose of used fireworks and debris properly.
- Never re-light a "dud" firework (wait 15-20 minutes and then soak it with water).



What You Should

Know

About Using

Fireworks

In Boise City

When Can I Use Fireworks?

In Boise City, it is lawful to sell and use “Safe and Sane Fireworks” beginning at midnight June 23rd until midnight July 5th, and beginning at midnight December 26th ending at midnight January 1st.

What Are Safe and Sane Fireworks (commonly known as legal fireworks)?

Fireworks not meeting the criteria as “dangerous fireworks”, or not specifically banned by reference, are to be considered as “Safe and Sane Fireworks”.

What Are Dangerous Fireworks (commonly known as illegal fireworks)?

Fireworks meeting the following criteria are to be considered as “dangerous fireworks”.

A. Fireworks containing explosive material that will burn or deflagrate when ignited. Examples include, but are not limited to, firecrackers, cherry bombs, m-80’s.

B. Fireworks that leave the ground of their own accord or fly when tossed into the air. Examples include, but are not limited to, skyrockets, bottle rockets, mortar shells, Roman candles.

C. Fireworks designed for ground or near ground use that travel outside of a fifteen (15) foot diameter circle.

D. Fireworks designed for ground or near ground use that, as a means of propulsion, emit showers of sparks longer than twelve (12) inches.

E. Fireworks designed for use from a stationary position that emit sparks, showers, or flaming balls, vertically, more than twenty (20) feet or from which discharged material falls beyond a twenty (20) foot diameter.

EXCEPTION: The term “fireworks” shall not include any blank cartridge, auto-motive safety flares, toy guns or toy cannons, caps, or other items designed for use with toy guns or cannons, party poppers, pop-its, party favors, or other devices which contain twenty-five hundredths (.25) of a grain or less of explosive substance.

What Is Unlawful Use of Fireworks

It shall be unlawful for any person, except in compliance with this Chapter of the Boise City Code to:

1. Alter any fireworks;
2. Throw any fireworks from, into or at a moving vehicle or at any person;
3. Sell or use any fireworks at any time not permitted under this chapter;
4. Use fireworks in any area that constitutes a severe fire threat based on the vegetative conditions during the current fire season as determined by the Fire Chief, provided that notice of such areas is given in advance.

It is unlawful to use any fireworks of any kind (including safe and sane) in the area known as the Boise Foothills.

Who Is Responsible For Unlawful Use Of Fireworks When The Fireworks User Is A Minor

The parents, guardian, or other persons having custody or control of a minor shall be liable for damage caused by the use of fireworks by the minor. Damages are limited to an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

What Are The Penalties For Fireworks Violations In Boise City Code

Violations and Penalty

A. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, to violate any of the provisions of this Chapter of the Boise City Code, and any violation thereof shall constitute an infraction and shall be punishable by a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) excluding court costs and fees. An infraction is a civil public offense, not constituting a crime, which is punishable only by a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) and for which no period of incarceration may be imposed. There is no right to a trial by jury of a citation or complaint for an infraction and such trials shall be held before the court without a jury. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or which a violation occurs or continues.

B. A Second and any subsequent conviction of any violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter of the Boise City Code within five years shall constitute a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than