

City of Long Beach



Illegal Fireworks Outreach, Education,
and Enforcement
June 19, 2018

All Fireworks are Dangerous and Illegal

As we prepare to celebrate the Fourth of July holiday, please remember that ALL fireworks are dangerous and illegal in Long Beach!

[#FireworksFreeLB](#)

ALL

FIREWORKS

ARE ILLEGAL

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If you observe any dangerous or illegal activities, please contact
Police Dispatch at 562-435-6711
or call 9-1-1 for emergencies.

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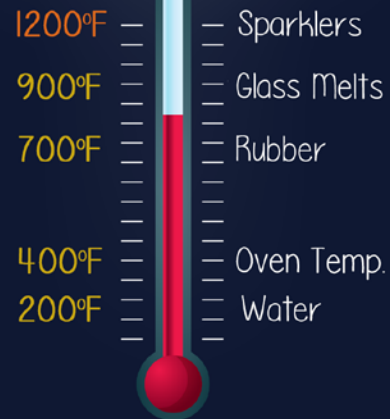
DID YOU KNOW?

Sparklers account for roughly **one quarter** of emergency room fireworks inquiries. They can burn at a temperature of more than **1200° F**, which is enough to cause **third degree burns!**



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ILLEGAL IN THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH!**

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SKY LANTERNS ARE **ILLEGAL** IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA



A flaming lantern can drop onto a rooftop, field, trees or power lines before the flame is fully extinguished having the potential to cause fires.

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Fireworks Injuries

Each year throughout the United States, fireworks cause:

- 18,500 fires
- 3 deaths
- 11,900 injuries
- Children 15 account for 35% of injuries

Source: National Fire Protection Administration

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Are you willing to risk a 36%
chance of injuring your hand
or finger because of a firework?

**USE IT
AND
LOSE IT**

LONG BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEMPER PARATUS
HONOR & TRADITION
CALIFORNIA

LONG BEACH
POLICE

Public Outreach and Education

- Meetings with Stakeholder Task Force
- Public Service Announcements
- Press Releases
- Limited number of Lawn Signs will be distributed

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Pick up a **FREE** yard sign like this one at
Long Beach Fire Dept. Headquarters Neighborhood Resource Center
3205 Lakewood Blvd **OR** 100 W. Broadway, Suite 550
7:30AM - 4:30PM 8:00AM-5:00PM

Help us keep our community safe this 4th of July!

Public Outreach and Education

- Social Media Messaging
 - Facebook
 - Twitter
 - Instagram

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Public Outreach and Education

- Educational materials in English, Spanish, Khmer, and Tagalog
- Free flyers available at the City Hall Lobby, Libraries, and Parks
- CERT Team and Fire staff will distribute flyers to neighborhood associations during the last week of June



Pet Safety

Think about your pets! Fireworks are causing more damage than you think. More pets run away on the 4th of July than on any other day of the year!

Remember, all fireworks remain **ILLEGAL** in Long Beach.



for the love of
PETS 



NO FIREWORKS



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Think about your pets



The loud noise of fireworks can result in severe stress and anxiety.



We encourage you to keep your pets indoors, lower the blinds and close the windows so they won't be frightened.



When ingested, fireworks can result in vomiting, tremors, seizures, acute kidney failure & more.



Veterans Awareness

Fireworks can cause flashbacks and anxiety for military veterans with PTSD. While fun for some, it can be traumatic to others. Let's be courteous of our veterans this Independence Day.

BE COURTEOUS
OF OUR
VETERANS

20%
OF MILITARY
PERSONNEL WHO
HAVE SERVED
EXPERIENCE
PTSD
EACH YEAR.

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING,
SAY SOMETHING!

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Block Parties

- Office of Special Events and Filming coordinates all requests
- Organizers must sign a permit, which states
 - Block Parties must end at 7:00 p.m.
 - All fireworks are illegal
 - Block Party participants will comply with all applicable laws
- Fire Department representatives visit all Block Parties and speak about illegality and dangers of all fireworks
- Block Party permits will be revoked if illegal activity occurs

Enforcement

- Fourth of July is busiest day of year for Police and Fire
- All Officers are assigned to work

2017 Statistics:

- Communications Center handled over 3,000 calls on July 4
- Issued 46 fireworks citations
- Seized over 7,000 pounds of illegal fireworks

A thousand times NO!

\$1,000  **FINE**

or spend **6 months** in

JAIL 

for **ILLEGAL** fireworks in the

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Enforcement

- July 1 through July 5 enhanced Police Patrols and two additional Fire Arson Patrols
- Respond to reports of illegal fireworks activity throughout City, focusing on areas with historically high activity
- Officers need to witness a person “in the act” in order to issue a citation
- Citations are often confrontational

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Drop-off Locations

- Fireworks may be voluntarily disposed of at collection bins throughout the City
 - All Fire Stations
 - All Police Stations
 - Lifeguard Headquarters



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- ALL Police Stations
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Professional Fireworks Displays in Long Beach

Professional fireworks displays :

- July 3 at Alamitos Bay
- July 4 at Queen Mary



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