



City of South Haven

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PRESS RELEASE

CITY OF SOUTH HAVEN FIREWORK RULES REMINDER

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – (South Haven, Michigan) June 21, 2022 – Natalie Thompson, South Haven Chief of Police, would like to remind all citizens during the upcoming July 4th holiday of the Michigan law as it relates to fireworks.

The law allows citizens to use “consumer fireworks”. Examples of these are firecrackers, bottle rockets, and roman candles. We ask all citizens using these fireworks to use extreme caution due to high risks of injuries. In accordance to the City’s ordinance, consumer fireworks are allowed only:

- Between 11:00am and 1:00am on December 31;
- From 11:00am to 11:45pm on the Saturday and Sunday preceding Memorial Day;
- Between 11:00 a.m. and 11:45 p.m. on June 29, June 30, July 1, July 2, July 3 and July 4 and on July 5 if that date is a Friday or Saturday; and
- Between 11:00am and 11:45pm on the Saturday or Sunday preceding Labor Day.

It is illegal for a person to discharge fireworks on public, school, or private property without permission of the owner. This includes all public parks and beaches of South Haven. Additionally, per the City’s zoning ordinance, no fireworks shall be used on the premises of a dwelling unit registered under the Short-Term Rental Ordinance when it is occupied by anyone other than the owner. **The fines have also increased to a maximum penalty of \$1000.** Citizens are asked to be considerate of others while celebrating the holiday. It is our hope that all citizens will enjoy a safe and happy July 4th.

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