The City of DuPont Police and Fire Departments remind you to use fireworks safely and responsibly!

DUPONT MUNICIPAL CODE - Fireworks

Each of the following are hereby declared to be unlawful within the City of DuPont:

- A. No person shall use or explode any fireworks within the City of DuPont except from twelve noon on the second day of July to eleven P.M. on the fourth day of July of any vear; provided that the City Council sitting in regular or special session may, by motion, more severely restrict the time limit and place for, or completely ban the use of, fireworks when the City Council finds that conditions warrant a more severe restriction; provided, that this prohibition shall not apply to duly authorized public displays where the same are authorized pursuant to the laws of the State of Washington, or the ordinances of the City of DuPont. (DMC **09.12.010 - Limitations**)
- B. Any person found guilty of violating this chapter shall be subject to fines and imprisonment. (DMC 09.12.020 Violation)

- C. The display, possession and use of fireworks is prohibited in all parks except with prior written permission from the City of DuPont. (DMC 10.03.070 Fireworks)
- D. The Chief shall formulate reasonable regulations for the handling and transporting of explosives, hazardous materials and fireworks within the City of DuPont and in accordance with the appropriate regulations and laws of the State of Washington. These regulations shall be adopted by the City Council. (DMC 13.02.060 Fire and Explosive Hazards)



For more about fireworks safety information and public fireworks displays, visit: www.ci.dupont.wa.us

- ✓ Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance is quilty of a misdemeanor.
- ✓ Parents are liable for any damage or injuries caused by their children using fireworks.
- ✓ You can not use any Steilacoom Historical School District property for the purpose of using or exploding fireworks.
- ✓ Legal fireworks may be discharged in approved locations from 12pm on July 2nd through 11pm on July 4th.

What is legal...?

Dipped Sticks and Sparklers -

A stick or wire coated device that produces a shower of sparks.

Ground and Hand-Held Sparkling Devices

Cylindrical or Cone Fountains -

Cylindrical tubes that shower colored sparks. Sometimes a whistling effect is produced. May have a spike, base or handle for use.

Illuminating Torches -

A cylindrical tube which produces colored fire upon ignition. May have a spike, base or handle for use.

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Wheels -

A device attached to a tree or pose. Upon ignition the wheel revolves, producing a shower of color and sparks. Sometimes a whistling effect is produced.

Ground Spinners -

Similar to a Wheel in design and effect. It is placed on the ground and a shower of sparks and color is produced.

Filter Sparklers -

A narrow paper tube producing color and sparks upon ignition. Does not have a fuse for ignition.

Smoke Devices -

Tube or sphere which produces white or colored smoke as its primary effect.

Helicopters -

A tube not more the ½ inch diameter. A propeller or blade is attached to lift the spinning device into the air. A visible or audible effect is produced at the height of the flight.

Roman Candles -

A heavy paper or cardboard tube no more the 3/8 inch inner diameter. Upon ignition no more than 10 "stars" are expelled at second intervals.

Mines or Shells -

Heavy cardboard or paper tube attached to a wood or plastic base. Propels "stars" firecrackers, or other devices upon ignition.

To learn more about DuPont Municipal Code visit the City of DuPont's website at www.ci.dupont.wa.us

The National Council on Fireworks Safety issued the following safety tips to help ensure a safe and enjoyable holiday:

- Always read and follow label directions.
- Have an adult supervise all fireworks activities.
- Avoid sparklers! They can catch clothing on fire.
- Ignite outdoors, away from buildings and vehicles.
- Keep a bucket of water handy.
- Light fireworks one at a time.
- Never re-ignite malfunctioning fireworks.
- Never throw fireworks at another person.
- Never shoot fireworks in metal or glass containers.
- Eye protection should always be worn by the fireworks shooter.
- No part of the shooter's body should be over the fireworks.
- Know where the closest phone is located - or carry a cell phone - in case a fire or injury occurs and the fire department is needed.







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