Fireworks Changes in Wentzville for 2017

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For 363 days each year, City ordinance prohibits any person from setting off fireworks* within the municipal boundaries of the City of Wentzville. However, an ordinance that was passed on Feb. 8, 2017, now allows fireworks only on July 3 and 4 of each year, between the hours of noon and 11 p.m. The ordinance states "any person sixteen years of age or older or any minor under age 16, with constant adult supervision, may set off, use, burn, explode or fire off *non-rocket, non-missile or aerial fireworks that do not contain a stick or fin, firecrackers, fireworks, torpedoes, bombs, rockets, pin wheels, fire balloons, Roman candles, toy cannons, toy pistols or other fireworks of like kind within the municipal boundaries of the City." These restrictions will be strictly enforced. Outside of the allowed time frame, a summons may be issued and fireworks may be confiscated.

Please note, fireworks are not allowed to be set off on any property owned by the City including any streets and cul-de-sacs or any park within the City at any time, without a valid permit from the Mayor. Also of note, fireworks stands within city limits were approved by the Board of Aldermen at a meeting earlier this year. By ordinance, a maximum of five stands will be allowed within city limits.

Please take precautions when shooting off fireworks and be mindful and courteous of your neighbors. To report illegal fireworks use, please call (636) 327-5105. To read the ordinance in its entirety, please visit bit.ly/fireworks-ordinance.

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