

# FIREWORKS FACT SHEET

## CITY OF WESTMINSTER

The current Fire Code states that the State of Colorado defined “permissible” fireworks are allowed for possession, handling, and use only during the timeframe beginning at 12 a.m. on July 3 and ending at 12 p.m. on July 5 of any calendar year. “Permissible” fireworks do not have a report (explode) or are not intended to leave the ground and fly through the air.

### PERMITTED DATES & TIMES

JULY 3 - 12 AM - 12 PM

JULY 4 - 12 AM - 12 PM

JULY 5 - 12 AM - NOON

### PERMISSIBLE FIREWORKS

- Fountains
- Ground Spinners
- Illuminated Torches
- Dipped Sticks & Sparklers
- Trick Noise Makers

Permissible fireworks are non-explosive pyrotechnics that are not intended to leave the ground or create a loud noise. From midnight (12:00 AM) July 3rd until noon (12:00 PM) on July 5th the Westminster Municipal Code 11-10-7 allows State of Colorado defined “permissible fireworks.” The intent of this ordinance is to allow Westminster families to celebrate the July 4th holiday and not subject neighbors to undue noise disruption.

### ILLEGAL FIREWORKS

Fireworks that explode, emit a loud bang, leave the ground due to an explosive charge, or fly through the air self-propelled are always illegal for handling, possession, sale, storage, and/or use within the City of Westminster, and the State of Colorado, unless used in conjunction with an approved public firework display, authorized by a Fire Department permit.

### ILLEGAL FIREWORKS INCLUDE:

- TOY CANNONS
- TOY CONES
- TOY PISTOLS
- BLANK CARTRIDGES
- FIRECRACKERS
- TORPEDOES
- SKYROCKETS
- ROMAN CANDLES
- TUBE DEVICES OR ANY TABLETS OR DEVICE CONTAINING ANY EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES

**Handling, possession, sale or use of illegal fireworks is a violation of Westminster Municipal Code 6-8-2 and is subject to issuance of a City of Westminster Municipal Court Summons.**

### CONTACT & REPORTING INFORMATION

EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR FIRES OR INJURIES | **911**

FIREWORKS QUESTIONS AND INFORMATION | **303.658.4500**

REPORT ILLEGAL USE OR POSSESSION OF FIREWORKS | **303.658.4360**

*PLEASE DO NOT SEND VIDEO TO SOCIAL MEDIA SITES. IF YOU HAVE VIDEO CONTACT THIS PHONE NUMBER*

CHRONIC VIOLATOR ANONYMOUS TIP LINE | **303.706.3812**

*OFFICERS WILL MAKE CONTACT WITH THE HOME AND/OR VIOLATOR, BUT CANNOT ISSUE A SUMMONS*

### ESPAÑOL

En la ciudad de Westminster SE PROHIBEN los fuegos artificiales que explotan, vuelan o causan un estallido.

Se permitirán los fuegos artificiales no explosivos como las bengalas (“sparklers”) y las fuentes (“fountains”) solamente entre las horas del 12:00 a.m. del 3 de julio hasta las 12:00 p.m. del 5 de julio.

Si manipula, posee, vende, almacena o utiliza fuegos artificiales ilegales en la ciudad de Westminster, podría ser multado por el Departamento de Policía.

