



PRESS RELEASE

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II. TYPE OF INCIDENT/SITUATION/ANNOUNCEMENT:

All fireworks are illegal in Livermore

III. FACTUAL INFORMATION:

The Livermore Police Department is reminding community members that all fireworks are illegal in the City of Livermore. This includes "Safe and Sane" type fireworks that may be legal to purchase in other cities. The Livermore Police Department will have extra officers working on the Fourth of July and these officers will be looking for and responding to firework violations.

It is unlawful for any person to possess any fireworks within the city of Livermore (Livermore Municipal Code 9.40.020). Any member of the Police Department or the Fire Department can seize any fireworks located in Livermore and the owner may be charged for the cost of destroying the fireworks. Police Officers finding persons in possession of fireworks may issue that person a citation for a misdemeanor offense with a fine of up to \$500 and jail time of up to 30 days in county jail.

Anyone found to be possessing fireworks that aren't of the "Safe and Sane" variety, such as firecrackers, bottle rockets, mortars, roman candles or anything that flies/shoots through the air can be cited for Health and Safety Code 12702(b). This citation can lead to a \$1000 fine and up to one year in county jail.

The Police Department is asking for the community's cooperation in keeping this Fourth of July holiday a safe one, by not possessing or using any fireworks in Livermore.

If you see or hear fireworks being used in Livermore, you can contact the LPD Dispatch Center at (925)371-4987. Our dispatchers will alert officers to the area where the fireworks are occurring.

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Should you require further information please call the contact person designated in this press release. If the contact person is not available, and you have a deadline, please call the on duty Watch Commander at (925) 371-4820.

Michael Harris
Chief of Police

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