
Chapter 8.34 FIREWORKS REGULATIONS

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8.34.010 Purpose.

It is declared the public policy of the city to secure and maintain such levels of fireworks regulations as to protect human health and safety, and to the greatest degree practicable prevent injury to property and physical safety of individuals. To this end, it is the purpose of this section to provide a means of regulations to control balance of tradition and public safety. (Ord. 697 § 2, 1997)

8.34.020 Definitions.

"Fireworks" means any composition or device, in a finished state, containing combustible or explosive substance for the purpose of producing visual or audible effects through combustion and are classified as common fireworks by the United States Bureau of Explosives or in the regulations of the United States Department of Transportation and designated as U.N. Fireworks are designed primarily for retail sale to the public during prescribed dates as stated within this chapter.

"Special fireworks" means any fireworks designed primarily for exhibition display by producing visible or audible effects and classified as such by the United States Bureau of Explosives or in the regulations of the United States Department of Transportation and designated as U.N.

"Public display of fireworks" means an entertainment feature where the public is admitted or permitted to view the display or discharge of special fireworks. (Ord. 697 § 2, 1997)

8.34.030 Sales and discharge schedule.

It is legal to sell and purchase fireworks within the city from 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m. June 28th; 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. June 29th, 30th, July 1st, 2nd, and 3rd; and from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on July 4th. Fireworks discharge will be allowed July 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th from the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the areas designated in DPMC 8.34.040. The public display of fireworks for entertainment shall be allowed in the city of Deer Park after the exhibitor has met all requirements as set forth in Chapter 70.77 RCW. The city council may by resolution choose to ban fireworks or shorten the season of the fireworks discharge if a drought is evident or any equitable need for safety arises. Times and dates of sales and/or discharge of fireworks may also be added by city council resolution. (Ord. 789 § 1, 2002; Ord. 729 § 1, 1999; Ord. 719 § 1, 1998; Ord. 697 § 2, 1997)

8.34.040 Rules and regulations.

All fireworks shall be of such a character and so located, discharged, or fired as not to be hazardous or dangerous to persons or property. Use of fireworks is prohibited in commercial diversified, central commercial, industrial, and public/quasi-public zoned areas except on property used for residential purposes with the consent of the property owner. Water must be easily available at the site of the fireworks discharge.

Fireworks shall not be allowed on city property to include all city parks and play fields, water-free vacant lots, and fields, except for commercial displays approved by the city council. (Ord. 832 § 1, 2006; Ord. 789 § 2, 2002; Ord. 719 § 1, 1998; Ord. 697 § 2, 1997)

8.34.080 Violation.

Any person violating the terms of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to the penalties contained in DPMC 1.16.010. (Ord. 719 § 1, 1998; Ord. 697 § 2, 1997)

The Deer Park Municipal Code is current through Ordinance 936 and legislation passed through January 8, 2014.

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