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PRESS RELEASE
The City of Indian Rocks Beach Reminds Everyone
DON'T BLOW IT!

Don't let illegal fireworks ruin the 4th of July

The Fourth of July is a time to celebrate American Independence Day with family and friends. The City of Indian Rocks Beach reminds you, as you celebrate the 4th of July, that it is illegal to violate the City of Indian Rocks Beach City Code in the use of fireworks. Violation can result in a **\$500.00** fine.

In the City of Indian Rocks Beach, the following reminders are offered:

- ◆ ***Ban on the retail sale, purchase or use of fireworks that project into the air or explode;***
- ◆ ***Use of sparklers, fountains, snakes and worms remains legal;***

Safety

Sparklers and fountains remain legal, but they can be dangerous, reaching temperatures of up to 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit. Only those over 12 years of age should handle sparklers of any type. Youth often get burned by sparklers every year, so responsible adult supervision is necessary at all times.

Residents who witness the use of illegal fireworks are asked to call the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office non-emergency telephone number: 727/582-6177. Residents should call 911 ***only*** in the event of an emergency.

Environmental issues

Fireworks create an enormous amount of waste.

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