# Town of Rockford Ordinance No. 16-02

### <u>Dangerous fireworks prohibited - Definitions</u>

- A. Definitions. All fireworks are prohibited except those certain "common fireworks" also known as "safe and sane" fireworks.
  - 1. "Fireworks" means any composition or device, in a finished state, containing any combustible or explosive substance for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration, or detonation, and classified as common or special fireworks.
  - 2. "Common fireworks" means any fireworks designed primarily to produce visual or audible effects by combustion, and includes
    - a. Ground and hand-held sparkling devise, including items commonly known as dipped sticks, sparklers, cylindrical fountains, cone fountains, illumination torches and flitter sparklers;
    - b. Smoke devices
  - 3. "Special fireworks" means any fireworks designed primarily for exhibition display by producing visible or audible effects, and includes:
    - a. Fireworks commonly known as bottle rockets, skyrockets, missile-type rockets, firecrackers, whistling petes, salutes, chasers, ground spinners, wheels, and fireworks not classified as common fireworks
- B. All fireworks are prohibited except common fireworks, and special fireworks for which a state permit has been issued pursuant to RCW Chapter 70.77.

## Fireworks on approved dates only

Common fireworks will be allowed from noon on July 3<sup>rd</sup> until midnight on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Common fireworks will be allowed from 11pm on December 31<sup>st</sup> until 1am January 1<sup>st</sup>.

# **Public Display**

Special fireworks may be publicly displayed only by a person who is duly licensed as required by RCW Chapter 70.77, the state Fireworks Law. Application for such displays shall be made to the Town Clerk and a permit obtained therefor. Fee for such permit can be found in the Town of Rockford Fee Schedule.

#### Conform to State and Federal Policy

It is hereby declared to be the policy of the Town of Rockford to conform to Federal and State policies with reference to the subject matters of this ordinance.

#### <u>Fireworks – Unlawful Manner</u>

The provisions of this ordinance notwithstanding, it shall be unlawful to use, explode or detonate fireworks and cap pistols in a promiscuous, careless manner such as may tend to injure persons or property.

| Approved this 15 <sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016 |                             |
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| Carrie Roecks, Mayor                             | Kristy Cochrane, Town Clerk |