2021 FIREWORKS
SALES AND DISCHARGE DATES

Sales

Class “C” fireworks can be sold the following dates:

June 24 – July 25
December 29 – December 31st
2 days before and on Chinese New Year’s Eve

Discharge

Between the hours of 11am and 11pm except as noted:

July 2 – July 5
(July 4 hours extended to midnight)

July 22 – 25
(July 24 hours extended to midnight)

December 31*
(11am – 1am Jan. 1)

Chinese New Year’s Eve (February 11, 2021)
(11am – 1am the following day)

*if New Year’s eve is on a Sunday and the county, municipality, or metro township determines to celebrate New Year’s eve on the prior Saturday (Dec 30), then a person may discharge Class C common state approved explosives on that prior Saturday within the county, municipality, or metro township;
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RESTRICTIONS OF THE USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE CITY OF BOUNTIFUL, UTAH, FOR THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the Utah Legislature grants authority to local governments to regulate the sale and discharge of Class “C” fireworks; and

WHEREAS, the International Fire Code and the Utah Code specifically authorize municipalities to control or prohibit the ignition or use of an ignition source in hazardous areas such as mountainous, brush-covered, forest-covered, dry grass-covered areas, and/or are within 200 feet of waterways, trails, canyons, washes ravines, or similar areas; and

WHEREAS, the International Fire Code and the Utah Code also authorize municipalities to prohibit the ignition or use of an ignition source in limited areas outside hazardous areas to facilitate a readily identifiable closed area; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief of the South Davis Metro Fire Agency, who is the Bountiful Fire Code Official, has determined under the International Fire Code, Chapter 3, Section 310.8, that hazardous environmental conditions in and around Bountiful necessitate controlled use of ignition sources, including fireworks, and has recommended temporary fireworks discharge restrictions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Utah Code, in May of this year the City Council, in consultation with the Fire Chief found that a historical environmental condition has existed within the City before July 1 of at least two of the preceding five years and authorized fireworks restrictions in a closed area and provided a map of such area to the County; and

WHEREAS, the City and State continue to experience hazardous environmental conditions in the form of an extreme drought; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has issued an executive order declaring a state of emergency due to extreme drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, a large portion of Bountiful City is comprised of hazardous areas as defined in the International Fire Code and the Utah Code; and

WHEREAS, due to extreme drought conditions and the declared state of emergency, the City Council, in consultation with the Fire Chief, desires to update the previously adopted fireworks restrictions area for the City for 2021 which is further described herein and shown on the map which is attached hereto and incorporated by this reference; and
WHEREAS, the City Council finds that a historical environmental condition has existed in the updated defined area before July 1 of at least two of the preceding five years and all other areas contained in the closed area facilitate a readily identifiable closed area; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is in the best interest of the municipality and the general health, safety and welfare of the public that this Ordinance should be passed;

Now, Therefore, It Is Hereby Ordained By the Bountiful City Council as Follows:

Section 1. Ordinance Amendment. Section 5-10-108 of the Bountiful City Code is hereby amended as follows:

5-10-108. Fireworks Restrictions.

(1) Within the limits of the City of Bountiful east of Bountiful Boulevard, and, north of 400 North, east of 900 East:

(a) The discharge of class C common fireworks is prohibited at all times; and

(b) Campfires and other fires are allowed only in an approved fire pit designed and installed by the Forest Service or the City. No homemade or makeshift fire pits are allowed. The restrictions of this section do not apply to residential structures or improved fire pits adjacent to a residential structure.

(2) Due to hazardous environmental conditions, the discharge of fireworks is prohibited at all times in the following areas of Bountiful City until January 1, 2022:

(a) East of 400 East from Pages Lane to 500 South;
(b) East of Orchard Drive from 500 South to the North Salt Lake border.
(c) Fireworks are prohibited in any other areas designated by South Davis Metro Fire Agency officials.

(3) Campfires and other fires are allowed only in an approved fire pit designed and installed by the Forest Service or the City. No homemade or makeshift fire pits are allowed. The restrictions of this Section do not apply to residential structures or improved fire pits adjacent to a residential structure.

(4) This Section (2) does not apply to Bountiful City’s annual public fireworks display because of adequate fire prevention preparations.

(5) This Section (2) shall not expire until rescinded or amended by the City Council.
(6) In other parts of the City where not prohibited by this Section, the possession, display or discharge of Class C common state approved fireworks is permitted only as provided by State law. Any other possession, display or discharge is prohibited.

(7) It is unlawful to negligently discharge class C common state approved explosives, in such a manner as to cause, or to recklessly risk causing, a fire or injury to people or property.

(8) This ordinance shall not limit the authority of the Fire Chief or Fire Marshal to at any time issue emergency decrees or order fireworks and/or other fire restrictions depending upon conditions or needs.

(9) Fireworks possessed, sold or offered for sale in violation of this Ordinance may be seized and destroyed and the license of the person selling or offering fireworks for sale may be revoked.

(10) All terms relating to fireworks used in this Ordinance shall have the same meaning as defined in Utah Code § 53-7-202 of the Utah Fire Prevention Act.

(11) A violation of this Section is a class “B” misdemeanor.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Adopted by the City Council of Bountiful, Utah, this 22nd day of June, 2021.

Randy C. Lewis, Mayor

Attest:

Shawna Andrus, City Recorder