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Fireworks Rules & Safety

Independence Day is a popular time of year for Derby residents. If you're planning to purchase and shoot fireworks in Derby, here's what you need to know:

When to Buy

Fireworks can be purchased between June 27 and July 5.

- ♦ Shoot fireworks in the city where you buy them. Fireworks purchased out of state or outside the Derby city limits may be illegal to shoot in Derby.
- ♦ Possession of illegal fireworks, such as bottle rockets, is a misdemeanor and may result in confiscation and a fine.

When to Shoot

June 27-July 2	8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
July 3 & 4	8 a.m. to midnight
July 5	8 a.m. to 10 p.m.



Where Not to Shoot

It is illegal to shoot fireworks in the following places:

- ♦ On public property, including streets and parks in the Derby city limits.
- ♦ From, into, out of, on, under, or in the direction of a car, whether moving or stationary.
- ♦ Within 100 feet of a fireworks stand or facility where fireworks are stored.
- ♦ Within 100 feet of a gasoline pump, filling station or building in which gas or flammable liquids are sold.

Learn more at www.derbyweb.com/july4.

Be a Good Neighbor

Be a good neighbor and follow the fireworks rules outlined by the City of Derby.

Please make sure to clean up your fireworks debris. Not only is the debris litter, it can clog the stormwater drains if it washes away or is blown into the drains. City staff will enforce littering violations.

If you need to report a non-emergency or emergency, here's what you need to do:

Non-emergencies

July 4 and 5 only (6:30 p.m. to 3 a.m.)

Call 290-1011 to report non-emergency fireworks, noise or party complaints. This phone line is staffed by Sedgwick County employees.

Emergencies

To report the illegal use of fireworks or any other emergency, call 911.

33rd Annual Firecracker Run

July 4 at 7:30 a.m.

4-Mile and 1-Mile
High Park, 2801 E. James
Open to all ages and abilities

Entry fees

\$25 for 13 and older
(\$5 discount for Derby Running Club members)
\$15 for 12 and under

Register beginning June 12 at the Derby Rec Center or www.active.com.

Questions? Email

derbyrunningclub@gmail.com.



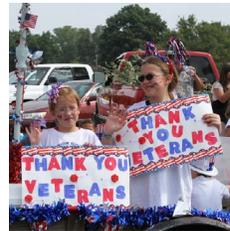
4th of July Parade

July 4 at 10 a.m.

Honoring the Fallen
Sponsored by Derby VFW Post 7253 and American Legion Post 408

The parade begins at Panther Stadium, proceeds west on Madison to Georgie, south on Georgie to Market, east on Market back to Panther Stadium.

Questions? Contact Jess Hammond at 616-4620.



Independence Day Celebration

July 4 at 7 p.m.

Fireworks begin around 9:30 p.m.
High Park, 2801 E. James

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy a relaxing and family-friendly evening at High Park. The mainstage will feature the Derby Community Choir and Senior Center Readers Theater performing patriotic songs and readings.

The Derby Optimist Club's bounce house and children's activities will be on site as well as free ice cream from Hiland Dairy. Food will be available for purchase from B.S. Sandwich Press. Arrive early to avoid parking delays.



Save the Date: 2014 Derby BBQ Festival

Sept. 13 at High Park

Competitive and backyard barbeque contests, live music, pig races, kids activities and more! Visit www.derbyweb.com/bbq to learn more.

Area Business Resources

Have you thought about starting your own business, or do you own a business and need assistance? Here are a few local resources to look into:



Small Business Development Center at Wichita State University

Offers one-on-one counseling as well as group training. Staff specialize in helping write business plans.

Visit www.wichita.edu/ksbdc or call 978-3193 to learn more.

Small Business Administration

Offers loans and programs. Call 269-6616 or visit www.sba.gov for assistance.

Service Corps of Retired Executives

Offers counseling to small business owners. Contact the Wichita chapter at 269-6273.

Kansas Department of Commerce

Offers the First Stop Clearinghouse to advise new business owners about required state forms, licenses and permits to help ensure your business complies with state rules for ownership and operation. Visit www.kansascommerce.com for more information.

NetWork Kansas

Provides staff who can answer business-related questions for free. A referral coordinator is available to connect individuals with a professional to assist in their business efforts. Staff can also guide individuals through the entrepreneurial process and assist at any stage of the business lifecycle. For more information, call 877-521-8600 or visit www.networkkansas.com.

If you have additional questions, call Taylor Tedder, Development Manager, at 788-3081 or email taylor Tedder@derbyweb.com.

Vacation Request

Plan to go on vacation this summer? Let the Derby Police Department know you're going to be away.



The **Vacation Home Alert Request Program** is designed to alert you of an emergency while you are out of town.

Residents will need to provide contact information that will be given to police officers who patrol your neighborhood. In addition, the exterior of your home could be checked by trained, citizen volunteers.

Visit www.derbyweb.com/vacationrequest (required to create an account) to sign up or stop by the Derby Police Department at 229 N. Baltimore to fill out a form.

Build a Rain Barrel

Did you know, rain barrels can reduce water usage, reduce soil erosion and flash flooding and provide plant-friendly, nitrogen-rich water? Plus, you can build your own with just a little time and a few items from the hardware store.



Rain barrels are placed at a downspout on your garage or house. They make it easy to capture rain water that can be used to water plants. You can paint your barrel to match your home, decorate it with landscaping or place it behind a garage where it's out of site.

Get a free, recycled barrel and rain barrel construction tips by calling Derby's Storm-water Manager, Mike Wilson, at 734-4249.

Gathering Space Gallery

Visit the summer exhibit, TRI, at the Gathering Space Gallery at the Derby Public Library, 1600 E. Walnut Grove.

May 21 - July 31, 2014

Artists Reception: June 6, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Joint exhibit of contemporary art by Jose Alvarado, Bryan Reynolds, and Jacob Seymore, Wichita State University graduates.



art by Bryan Reynolds

Save Energy & Money This Summer

Here are a few easy tips to conserve energy this summer:

- Use a programmable thermostat to reduce energy consumption while you're not at home.
- Invest in ceiling fans. They can make a room feel cooler by about four degrees.
- Run appliances, such as dishwashers, washers and dryers, during off-peak hours or after the sun goes down.
- Have a professional check your air conditioning system to ensure it's running properly and replace or clean air filters annually.
- Shade your windows. Closing drapes, shades or blinds during the day keeps the sun from warming the inside of your house.

Courtesy of Kansas Gas Service



Remember, please pick up after your pet.