



FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES
CHAPTER 22 – OFFENSES
ARTICLE III – OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION 2 – FIREWORKS

Sec. 22-70. Short Title.

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Fireworks Ordinance."

Sec 22-71. Statement of Purpose.

This is an ordinance to provide for the regulation of the ignition, discharge and use of consumer fireworks, as allowed under the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, M.C.L.A. SS 28.451 et seq., as amended.

Sec. 22-72. Definitions.

Words used herein shall have the definitions as provided for under the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, MLC 28.451, *et seq.*, as may be amended.

MINOR. An individual who is less than 18 years of age.

Sec. 22-73. Ignition, Discharge, And Use Of Consumer Fireworks.

A person shall not ignite, discharge, or use consumer fireworks, except after 11:00 am on the following days:

- (a) December 31 until 1 a.m. on January 1.
- (b) The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Memorial Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
- (c) June 29 to July 4 until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
- (d) July 5, if that date is a Friday or Saturday, until 11:45 p.m.
- (e) The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.

Sec. 22-74. Possession of Fireworks by Minor.

A minor shall not possess fireworks.

Sec. 22-75. Determination of Violation; Seizure.

If a police officer determines that a violation of this chapter has occurred, the officer may seize the consumer fireworks as evidence of the violation.

Sec. 22-76. Penalty.

- (a) Municipal civil infraction. A violation of this chapter is a municipal civil infraction, punishable by a fine of \$1,000, of which \$500 of the fine collected must be remitted to the local law enforcement agency responsible for enforcement of the ordinance.
- (b) Disposal of evidence. Following final disposition of a finding of responsibility for violating this chapter, the local law enforcement agency may dispose of, or destroy, any consumer fireworks retained as evidence in that prosecution.

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Secs. 22-77 – 22-90. Reserved.

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