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West Jordan City Restricts Aerial Fireworks for July 21 – 27, 2017

(West Jordan, UT) – The continuing summer heat and extreme grass growth from the spring have created a fire risk that overwhelmed the city’s firefighting resources on the July Fourth holiday. The existing prohibition on all fireworks remains in effect for certain areas. (See below). Therefore, further restrictions are necessary. (West Jordan city code 6-2-5)

West Jordan City is prohibiting the use of Utah legal fireworks that shoot over 15’ in height, otherwise known as aerial fireworks, throughout the City with the exception on the night of July 24 from 9:30 p.m. to midnight, when two designated locations within the City will be available. Those two locations are designated baseball infields at Veterans Memorial Park (1985 West 7800 South) and Ron Wood Baseball Complex (5900 West New Bingham Highway).

It is a Class C Misdemeanor to violate these restrictions and may result in penalties of up to 90 days in jail and a $500 fine. (West Jordan city code 6-2-2). The Police Department will be assisting the Fire Department with the enforcement of these restrictions.

No Aerial Fireworks City-wide July 21 thru 27, 2017 except for locations at Veterans Memorial Baseball Complex, fields 2 and 3 and Ron Wood Baseball Complex, fields 4 and 5, on July 24, 2017 from 9:30 p.m. to midnight.

No Fireworks of Any Type in the Following Restricted Areas:

1. All areas west of SR-111 (also known as U-111 and the Bacchus Highway within West Jordan City limits.
2. All areas within 200 feet of the Jordan River Parkway Trail east of 1300 West.
3. All areas within 200 feet of the area commonly referred to as Clay Hollow Wash that runs east and west in the area of 7800 South (approximately 4800 West to SR-111).
4. All areas within 200 feet of Bingham Creek, located near Old Bingham Highway running the length of the east/west boundaries within West Jordan.
5. All city parks, except the designated portion of Veterans Memorial Baseball Complex, Fields 2 and 3, along with Ron Wood Baseball Complex, Fields 4 and 5, on July 24.

Personal fireworks are not generally allowed in city parks but may be discharged in a portion of Veterans Memorial Park and Ron Wood Baseball Complex on July 24. The park locations will be open from 9:30 p.m. to midnight on that night only. All trash and debris will need to be deposited in approved metal containers provided at the locations. The City of West Jordan is not sponsoring this as an event. The City is providing locations for individuals to lawfully ignite Utah legal fireworks.

For more information, please contact Deputy Chief Reed Scharman at 801-260-7300 or email infowjfd@wjordan.com.

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The map shows firework restriction areas for 2017. Areas marked with a red star indicate where aerial fireworks are allowed (July 24th Only). Other areas are identified as firework restricted. The map is for reference and should not be relied upon for accuracy.