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Each July 4th, thousands of people, most often children and teens, are injured while using consumer fireworks. Despite the dangers of fireworks, few people understand the associated risks- devastating burns, other injuries, fires and even death*.

Recently, the City of Manchester has seen an increase in illegal fireworks being set off within the City. This has led to injuries, property damage numerous false emergency calls for both the Manchester Fire Departments and Manchester Police Departments.

The sale, possession and use of Fireworks are prohibited by City of Manchester Ordinance 92.05, IFC, 2006, section 104.1, section 3301.1.1.3. This has been enacted for several years. Violators will be subject to fines.

The City of Manchester will provide a safe, professional Fireworks display at Arms Park on July 3rd at dusk. We invite citizens and guests to enjoy Independence Day fireworks safely this year and take advantage of this event.

The public is encouraged to notify the Manchester Police Department at 603-668-8711 or the Manchester Fire Department at 603-669-2256 if they encounter any illegal Fireworks display.

*Information from the NFPA website