

## FIREWORKS POLICY

The Board of Directors of the Long Creek Owners Association has adopted the following policy regarding setting off fireworks at the Long Creek development:

Setting off firecrackers and projectile-type fireworks is an offensive activity and is banned throughout the development, except as described in the "Exceptions" section below. It is considered an incurable violation under the Enforcement and Fines Policy. For the purposes of this policy (unless otherwise stipulated), any non-projectile fireworks which produce loud noise comparable or louder than typical firecrackers shall be considered as firecrackers.

If Guadalupe County has a fire ban in effect:

- setting off projectile-type fireworks will be treated as a threat to public health and safety and the Exceptions outlined below will not apply
- setting off other types of fireworks (ground based or otherwise, loud noise producing or otherwise) will be treated as a threat to public health and safety and is prohibited for the duration of the fire ban.

### EXCEPTIONS

Setting off projectile-type fireworks will not be considered an offensive activity:

- From 8:00 pm on July 4 until midnight
- From 7:00 pm on December 31 until 01:00 am on January 1

Firecrackers will not be considered offensive beginning at 5:00 pm on July 4 and December 31 until the ending times specified above for fireworks.

Such activities must be done safely and with respect for neighbors. If any such activity is undertaken, it is done so at the risk of the shooter and that person bears responsibility for all consequences. LCOA is not responsible for any accidents or consequences resulting from fireworks/firecrackers. Any debris from fireworks and firecrackers must be cleaned up by noon the following day.

The Board has been advised by the Golf Course that they do not allow setting off firecrackers and all forms of fireworks on the Golf Course. The Board urges residents to comply with Golf Course policy.

In the event that residents are adversely impacted by the shooting of fireworks (whether in the community or on the Golf Course), they may consider contacting the Sheriff's Department to complain about disorderly conduct. In this regard, Section 42.01(5) of the Texas Penal Code includes the following in its definition of disorderly conduct: A person commits an offense if he intentionally or knowingly: .....(5) makes unreasonable noise ... in or near a private residence that he has no right to occupy ]

This policy shall become effective on June 1, 2021.