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City of Hemet Reminds Residents Fireworks Are Illegal Ahead of New Year's

HEMET, CA – As New Year's celebrations approach, the City of Hemet reminds residents and visitors that all fireworks are illegal within City limits under Ordinance No. 1850. This includes the possession, sale, use, or distribution of any fireworks.

Illegal fireworks pose serious risks to public safety, including fires, injuries, and property damage, and can disrupt neighborhoods throughout the city. The Hemet Police Department will be enforcing a zero-tolerance policy for fireworks violations during the holiday.

Violations May Result In:

- \$1,000 fines per violation
- Possible misdemeanor charges
- Citations issued to property owners, regardless of who ignited the fireworks

How to Report Illegal Fireworks:

Residents are encouraged to report illegal fireworks through the following non-emergency channels:

- Phone: (951) 765-3827
- Email: pdfireworks@hemetca.gov
- Mobile App: Hemet Police Department App (iOS & Android)

Please do not call 9-1-1 for non-emergency fireworks complaints.

The City of Hemet thanks the community for helping keep neighborhoods safe and encourages everyone to celebrate the New Year responsibly.

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