

July 1, 2021

As we approach the 4th of July Holiday, Darrington Fire District 24 and the Town of Darrington would like to take a minute to discuss some concerns about the discharge of fireworks in or around our community. We have experienced record-breaking heat in recent weeks creating extremely high fire danger across our region. We are asking that we work together to keep our people, our homes and our community safe.

- We are asking everyone to:
  - Enjoy this great American Holiday.
  - Enjoy having gatherings friends and love ones.
  - Please be mindful of the increased risks this year. We would ask that folks consider refraining from discharging fireworks.
  - If you choose to discharge fireworks, we ask to avoid higher risk devices such as arial projectiles, rockets, and illegal fireworks.

Regardless of whether or not you choose to use fireworks this 4th, your firefighters strongly suggest ensuring that you have protections in place to defend your property from fire. Keep your vegetation short and green. Keep water nearby. Remain vigilant.

Our community relies heavily on a fire department that is mostly comprised of dedicated volunteers. They also look forward to enjoying the holiday with family and friends. Let's do our part to make this a safe and enjoyable 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Thank You,



Dan Rankin, Mayor  
Town of Darrington



Rich Dahl, Fire Commissioner  
Darrington Fire District 24



Dennis Fenstermaker, Fire Chief  
Darrington Fire District 24