

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COMSTOCK**  
**KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 508**  
**FIREWORKS SAFETY ORDINANCE**

**ADOPTED:** August 5, 2019

**EFFECTIVE:** September 12, 2019

An Ordinance to amend portions of the Fireworks Safety Ordinance (Ordinance No. 482) and to repeal any ordinance or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict herewith.

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**ORDAINS:**

**SECTION 1**  
**AMENDMENT OF SECTION III**

Section III entitled "Consumer fireworks and sky lanterns" of the Fireworks Safety Ordinance is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. A person shall not ignite, discharge or use consumer fireworks except on the following days after 11:00 a.m.
  - a. December 31 until 1:00 a.m. on January 1.
  - b. The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Memorial Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
  - c. June 29 to July 4 until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
  - d. July 5, if that date is a Friday or Saturday, until 11:45 p.m.
  - e. The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.

2. Use of consumer fireworks must be in compliance with the Comstock Township Anti-Noise Ordinance.
3. Consumer fireworks shall not be used if a burn ban is in effect.
4. A person shall not ignite, discharge or use consumer fireworks on public property, school property, church property or the property of another person, without that person or organization's express permission to use the consumer fireworks on those premises.
5. A person shall not use consumer fireworks or low impact fireworks while under the influence of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance.
6. The purchase of consumer fireworks at any time by a minor, or the possession and use of consumer fireworks by a minor except while under direct parental supervision, is prohibited.
7. Consumer fireworks shall only be used in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal laws.
8. Sky lanterns shall not be ignited, launched, released, discharged or used within the Charter Township of Comstock.

**SECTION 2**  
**AMENDMENT OF SECTION V**

Section V entitled "Sanctions" of the Fireworks Safety Ordinance is hereby amended to read as follows:

Any person that violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed responsible for a municipal civil infraction and fined \$1,000 for each violation. The Township shall remit \$500 of the fine collected under this section to the Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Department as the local law enforcement agency responsible for enforcing the ordinance.

**SECTION 3**  
**SEVERABILITY**

Should any section, clause, or provision of this Ordinance be declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the parts so declared to be invalid.

**SECTION 4**

**REPEAL**

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed and shall have no further force or effect.

**SECTION 5**

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after publication of the Ordinance.

Michelle Mohny, Clerk  
Comstock Charter Township