

**TOWN OF ORLAND**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-004**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE DAYS AND HOURS WHEN  
CONSUMER FIREWORKS MAY BE USED, IGNITED, OR  
DISCHARGES.**

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Town of Orland (the "Town") have requested for reasonable use of consumer fireworks in and around neighborhoods and populated areas; and

WHEREAS, Indiana Code §22-11-14-10.5 permits municipalities to adopt a fireworks use ordinance regulating when consumer fireworks may be used, ignited, or discharged within the Town of Orland; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance permits the reasonable and limited use of consumer fireworks while respecting the safety and quality of life for residents of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ORLAND, INDIANA, THAT:

**SECTION I**

1. Consumer fireworks. As used in this Ordinance, the term "consumer firework" means a small firework that is designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, and that is required to comply with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations promulgated by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission under 16 C.F.R. 1507. The term also includes some small devices designed to produce and audible effect, such as whistling devices, ground devices containing fifty (50) milligrams or less of explosive composition, and aerial devices containing one hundred thirty (130) milligrams or less of explosive composition. Propelling or expelling charges consisting of a mixture of charcoal, sulfur, and potassium nitrate are not considered as designed to produce an audible effect. Consumer fireworks include:

- A. Aerial devices, which include sky rockets, missile type rockets, helicopter or aerial spinners, roman candles, mines, and shells;
- B. Ground audible devices, which include firecrackers, salutes, and chasers; and
- C. Firework devices containing combinations of the effects described in subparagraphs (A) and (B).

2. Consumer fireworks shall not include the following items referenced in Indiana Code §22-11-14-8(a), and defined in Indiana §22-11-14-1:

- A. Dipped sticks or wire sparklers. However, the total pyrotechnic composition may not exceed one hundred (100) grams per item. Device containing chlorate or perchlorate salts may not exceed five (5) grams in total composition per item;
- B. Cylindrical fountains;
- C. Cone fountains;
- D. Illuminating torches;
- E. Wheels;
- F. Ground spinners;
- G. Filter sparklers;
- H. Snakes or glow worms;
- I. Smoke devices; and
- J. Trick noisemakers, which include: (i) party poppers; (ii) booby traps; (iii) snappers; (iv) trick matches; (v) cigarette loads; and (vi) auto burglar alarms.

## **SECTION II**

No person within the corporate limits of the Town of Orland, Indiana, shall use, ignite, or discharge or permit to be used, ignited, or discharged any type of consumer fireworks on any day at any time other than the following:

- A. Between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and two (2) hours after sunset on June 29, June 30, July 1, July 2, July 3, July 5, July 6, July 7, July 8, and July 9;
- B. Between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight on July 4; and
- C. Between the hours of 10:00 a.m. on December 31 and 1:00 a.m. on January 1.

## **SECTION III**

Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, when it is necessary for the protection of public health and safety, such as in conditions of extreme draught, the Town

Council of the Town of Orland may prohibit the use of any and all consumer fireworks. The Town Council may only prohibit the use of any and all consumer fireworks for so long as the emergency or conditions justify their prohibition.

**SECTION IV**

The Orland Police Department shall be charged with enforcing the provisions of this ordinance.

**SECTION V**

Any person, firm, corporation, or association violating the provisions of this Ordinance commits a Class C infraction and shall be fined in the amount of \$100.00 for each violation. Violations of this Ordinance shall be prosecuted through the Steuben County Courts.

**SECTION VI**

No part of this Ordinance shall be interpreted to conflict with federal, state or local laws, and all reasonable efforts should be made to harmonize same. Should any section or part thereof of this Ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or any portion of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

**SECTION VII**

Unless otherwise set forth herein, this Ordinance shall become effective upon promulgation and publication according to law.


Ayes: 3  
Nays: 0  
Abstentions: 0

Adopted and ordained this 8th day of June, 2026.


**TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ORLAND, INDIANA**

Robin Sears  
Robin Sears, President

Chris Sanders  
Chris Sanders, Vice President

  
Zeb Schuette, Member

ATTEST:

  
April Sanders, Clerk-Treasurer

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**WAIVER OF SECOND READING**

On motion duly made and seconded, the second reading of the foregoing ordinance 2026-004 An Ordinance Regulating the Days and Hours When Consumer Fireworks May Be Used, Ignited or Discharges was unanimously waived, and the ordinance shall be deemed effective as provided therein.

**TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN  
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