



Township of Lower Makefield
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Diwali Celebrations

Lower Makefield Township is aware that the Celebration of Diwali is known as the “Festival of Lights” marked by gatherings, lighting displays, and fireworks.

Lower Makefield Township has a fireworks ordinance referencing the Pennsylvania Act 74 of 2022 which allows the usage of consumer fireworks in the state with the following stipulations.

A person who is at least 18 years of age and meets the requirements of this section may purchase, possess, and use consumer fireworks.

- a. Prohibitions: A person may not intentionally ignite or discharge:
 - i. Consumer fireworks on public or private property without the express permission of the owner.
 - ii. Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices within, or throw consumer fireworks or sparkling devices from, a motor vehicle or building.
 - iii. Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices into or at a motor vehicle or building or at another person.
 - iv. Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices while the person is under the influence of alcohol, a controlled substance, or another drug.
 - v. Consumer fireworks within 150 feet of an occupied structure.
 - vi. Consumer fireworks after 10:00 p.m. prevailing time or before 7:00 a.m. prevailing time, except on New Year's Eve, which shall be until 12:00 midnight, New Year's Day until 12:30 a.m. and July 4 until 11:00 p.m.

If using it for the celebrations of Diwali please follow the above and never discard them into the trash until they are completely cooled. Always be present when using consumer fireworks and have a fire extinguisher or water jug close by.

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