



Tarpon Springs Police Department

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Crime Watch Newsletter

LOST OR STOLEN BICYCLE???

If you have lost a bike or had one stolen please contact Penny in property/evidence to see if your bike is at T.S.P.D.

Contact hours: 9AM-3PM Monday-Friday
Call 938-2849



*Happy 4th
of July !
TSPD*

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Firework Safety Tips

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Obey all local laws regarding the use of fireworks.

Know your fireworks; read the cautionary labels and performance descriptions before igniting.

A responsible adult **SHOULD** supervise all firework activities. Never give fireworks to children.

Alcohol and fireworks do not mix. Save your alcohol for after the show.

Wear safety glasses when shooting fireworks.

Light one firework at a time and then quickly move away.

Use fireworks **OUTDOORS** in a clear area; away from buildings and vehicles.

Never relight a “dud” firework. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.

Always have a bucket of water and charged water hose nearby.

Never carry fireworks in your **POCKET** or shoot them into **METAL** or **GLASS** containers.

Do not experiment with homemade fireworks.

Dispose of spent fireworks by wetting them down and place in a metal trash can away from any building or combustible materials until the next day.

FAA regulations **PROHIBIT** the possession and transportation of fireworks in your checked baggage or carry-on luggage.

Report illegal explosives, like M-80s and quarter sticks, to the fire or police department.

And let's not forget the safety of our pets!

Don't bring your pets to a fireworks display, even a small one.

If fireworks are being used near your home, put your pet in a safe, interior room to avoid exposure to the sound.

Make sure your pet has an identification tag, in case it runs off during a fireworks display.

Never shoot fireworks of any kind (consumer fireworks, sparklers, fountains, etc.) near pets.



ILLEGAL FIREWORKS/FDTS SAFETY TIP

City police and the Pinellas and Hillsborough County Sheriff's departments are calling for safe fireworks celebrations as well as adherence to local laws. It is important to understand fireworks ordinances in the state of Florida and to use common sense.

- **Avoid illegal fireworks.** In Florida, illegal fireworks are devices that explode or launch into the air. Some of these fireworks are technically legal for sale – but not always legal for use. The Agriculture exemption form that buyers may sign when purchasing fireworks from retail sales is not appropriate if you use your fireworks in the improper zoning area, such as a residential neighborhood. Fireworks sold in roadside tents may be legal for purchase, but might not be legal to discharge in your town or in a residential area.

- **Recognize that county laws may differ.** Fireworks tents in Hillsborough County may sell aerial display fireworks and rockets, while tents in Pinellas County may only sell ground-display fireworks.

- **Celebratory gunfire is illegal: During any celebrations, some people forget that discharging a weapon freely is illegal. A small handgun bullet can travel as far as two miles. If you see someone fire a gun into the air, dial 911 and report it to police.**

- **Report illegal explosives: Cherry bombs, M-80s, and quarter sticks (dynamite) are illegal and very dangerous. Report usage of these to the police department.**



Avoid using lighted candles.

Replace mattresses made before the 2007 Federal Mattress Flammability Standard. Mattresses made since then are required by law to be safer.

Keep combustible and flammable liquids away from heat sources.

Portable generators should NEVER be used indoors and should only be refueled outdoors or in well ventilated areas.

For more Information contact Tarpon Springs Fire Rescue at 727-938-3737

THINGS TO DO IN TARPON SPRINGS

Family Double Dare

Sat, June 24, 5pm – 8pm Tarpon Springs Community Center,
South Walton Avenue, Tarpon Springs Recreation 727-942-5628
www.tsrdonline.com

4th of July Picnic

Tue, July 4, 10am – 2pm Craig Park, Tarpon Springs

4th of July Fireworks Tue, July 4, 7:30pm – 8:30pm

Fred Howard Park, 1700 Sunset Drive, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Sunset Beach Concert Series

Thu, July 6, 7pm – 9pm Sunset Beach, Tarpon Springs

Night in the Island

Sat, July 15, 6:00pm – 11:30pm Dodecanese Boulevard



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