



# Press Release



## Bristol Tennessee Police Department

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### **Safety first: fireworks prohibited in City of Bristol, TN**

It's the season for backyard barbeques, cold drinks, apple pie, and maybe a game of badminton, but not fireworks. Fireworks are not only dangerous, but they are illegal in the city limits of Bristol, Tennessee. Everyone wants to have a good time on July 4<sup>th</sup>, and there are lots of things to do in order to achieve that goal. There is a parade in downtown Bristol, a baseball game, concerts and many other activities throughout the area that are providing opportunities for the family to enjoy this holiday weekend.

The Bristol Tennessee Police Department will be enforcing the ban on fireworks within the city to insure the safety of its citizens. Of course there will be firework events hosted within the city limits on occasion, but those fall under a special permit issued by the Fire Chief acting in conjunction with the State Fire Marshal. The permit authorizes the supervised display of fireworks in accordance with applicable state laws and fire codes.

For more information on fireworks, please contact Captain Charlie Thomas of the Bristol Tennessee Police Department at 423-989-5268.