



Firework Restrictions FULL REPORT

Survey Topic

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Survey Period

April 20 - 29, 2018

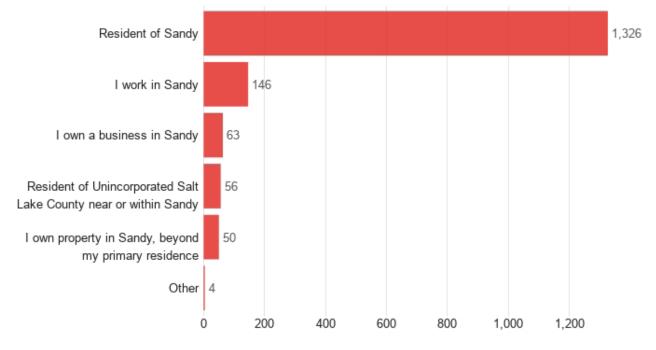
Report Date April 30, 2018

Methodology

- Utilized the Qualtrics Research Core Platform to collect and analyze responses
- Survey participants were solicited via e-mail from the Citizen Connect Demographic Pool and through posting on social media, City website, and City enotifications.
- Responses were collected from April 20 29, 2018
- 1420 total responses
- Participants were asked **twelve questions**
- We did not perform any cross analyses based on demographic data, as all respondants were not from our Citizen Connect Demographic Pool.
- Respondants were not able to take the survey multiple times or "stuff the ballot box."
- Text responses are copied and pasted verbatim as entered by respondants, so there may be spelling & grammatical errors in the comment sections and "other" answers.



"How are you connected to Sandy City? (Select all that apply)"

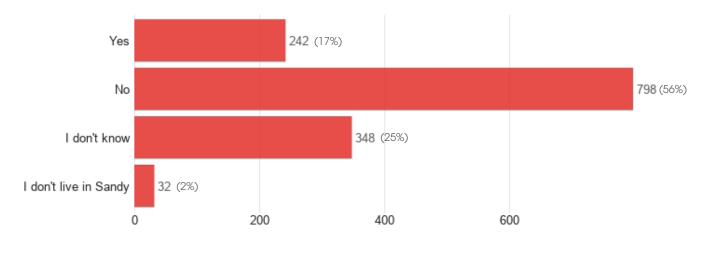


Answers indicating "Other":

- Resident of Cottonwood Heights
- rescue animals

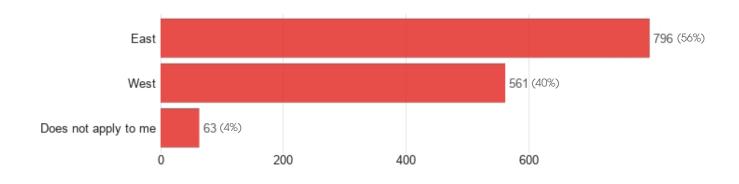
- I visit Sandy multiple times a week to recreate and shop
- Adjacent to Sandy

"Do you currently live within a firework-restricted area in Sandy?"



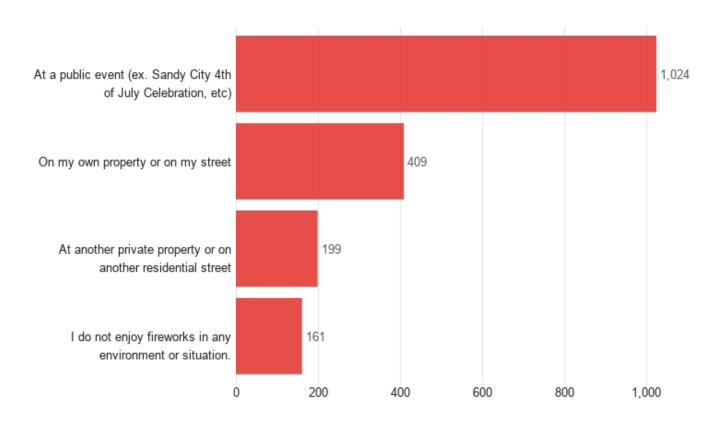


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"Do you live, own property, or own a business east or west of 1300 East?"

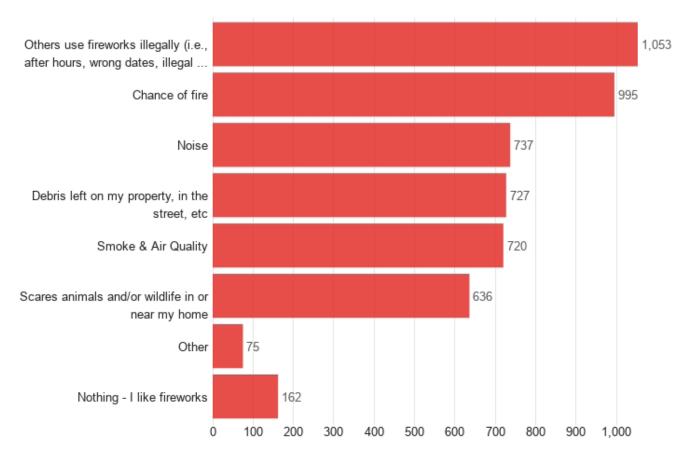
"How do you prefer to enjoy fireworks? (Select all that apply)"





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"Is there anything you dislike about fireworks? (Select all that apply)"



Answers indicating "Other":

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- potentially ptsd-triggering for veterans and others
- I wish people would only do them when I want them to
- too long of season
- potential safety risk of people/property
- Noise late into the night.
- Risk to cars on the street
- After hours, 11:30pm is late enough.
- It causes my great personal distress.
- they can be dangerous especially if mixed with liquor
- Doesn't let the kids go to sleep and scares them for days
- They are allowed for too many days. Since we have two firework events every July, it should be just a couple of days around those specific dates.
- Debris from others' fireworks all over my lawn, upsets people with PTSD, autism, and other special conditions
- My horses are traumatized for days and jumpy. Also I really feel for the vets with PSTD.
- I'm in a restricted area according to the maps, yet people ignore the restrictions. Enforce Them !
- Loathe, loathe, can't stand

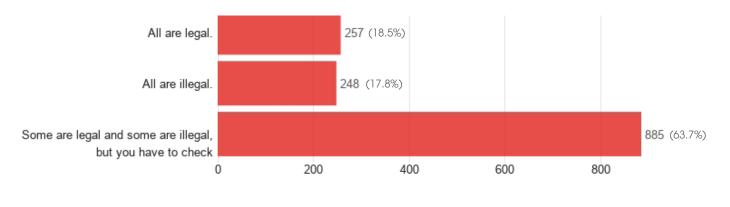


- Way too risky and people injure themselves and their own children. They waste money on the products. Just to risky.
- My young children have difficulties sleeping the entire month of July
- Two full weeks of fireworks is absolutely ridiculous. I could live with the 4th and 24th but for two full weeks of hearing fireworks is utterly unnecessary. The policing of fireworks outside of the current times is also lacking. If I could vote 1000 times on this topic I would.
- Illegal fireworks promotes other illegal activity.
- there are so many residents doing them illegally and until way into the morning hours. The police are innundated and can't respond to them all. I have had 2 above ground big pools ruined due to fireworks debris landing in them and burning them, and have a veteran that lives on the other side of me who is absolutely frozen in fear hearing the fireworks due to PTSD
- Kids getting burned. Parents don't monitor and let two year old use them. I love my sister but I facepalmed when she did that and her son touched the firework right after it burnt out. Kids getting burned is not ok.
- Wakes up my young children.
- The fireworks remnants hit my yard and roof and I have heat tape.
- they cost a small fortune
- PTSD triggers for our military veterans.
- Burn injuries to children and general public.
- Late hours that they go off in my neighborhood keeps up the small children and babies
- People across the street set them off over our house
- just the late hours that they are lit sometimes
- With the new length of firework season all of the above has become excessive.
- Dangerous, people are not smart with when and how they use fireworks
- Scares our kids and keeps them awake at night when neighbors constantly shoot them off
- I have a daughter with special needs and significant anxiety. People shooting off fireworks terrifies her.
- Can go too late at night
- None responsible people
- It scares the wild life. After the July 4th and 24th we noticed that there are no birds around until the fireworks have stopped
- It causes anxiety for people with PTSD.
- Personal fireworks ling past 10 p.m.
- Wakes up my sleeping babies.
- Late night fireworks
- People in white city over do it.
- Can be dangerous is misused
- Traumatizes friends who are veterans with PTSD.
- Scares my children keeps them awake
- After hours (past 11pm) is really annoying and hard to put my kids to sleep.
- No fireworks after 11:00 PM Holiday over go to bed or watch TV.
- I get up at 5 am for work and expect the fireworks to keep me awake until about midnight.



- I hate aerial fireworks! they should be left to the professionals in open areas, not in my backyard
- I dislike stormtroopers that want to fine law abiding citizens
- Uneducated about what fireworks are legal, so relutant to complain.
- I'm veteran and it gives me PTSD
- Cost
- They are horrifying to people with PTSD, such as veterans.
- The weeks-long time period they're allowed
- Personal injury from a neighbor's illegal fireworks
- Starts way too late at night.
- Shooting up over rooflines and people actually shooting fireworks off of their own roofs
- Wakes kids up when they're sleeping... After hours use
- July holidays occur at the worst time of year for fireworks. They are a huge fire hazard & only stupid people can't find a better way to celebrate
- Veterans with PTSD.
- Inconsiderate of others who fear explosions
- New fireworks or cake fireworks are too much for residential use. They are beautiful but unnecessary.
- My kids are traumatized by them. For 14 days in July they DO NOT SLEEP. We are not from this
 state and have lived ALL over the country and traveled the world and never have we experienced
 anything like what we have seen during fireworks season in Utah. It is absolutely mind-boggling how
 dangerous and annoying this practice in the second driest state in the country is. In other states
 around the country they enjoy them on the day of the 4th of July and they're done. We have decided
 to completely leave the state for Pioneer Day every year for the last 4 years because it is simply too
 much to take for virtually the entire month of July sounding like a war zone every night.
- it brings me back to Nam
- Dislike temporary stand on 90 & state setting off fireworks constantly. It wakes up my son and scares my pets.
- aerial fireworks are too dangerous

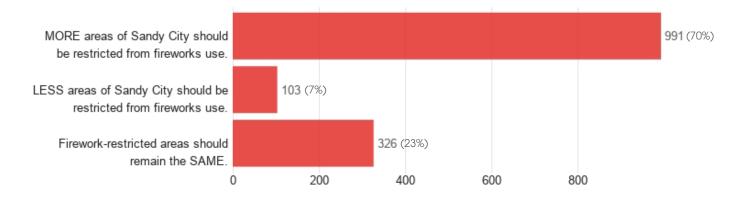
"Do you believe aerial fireworks (those that shoot material at least 10 feet off the ground) are illegal or legal for private use in Utah?"





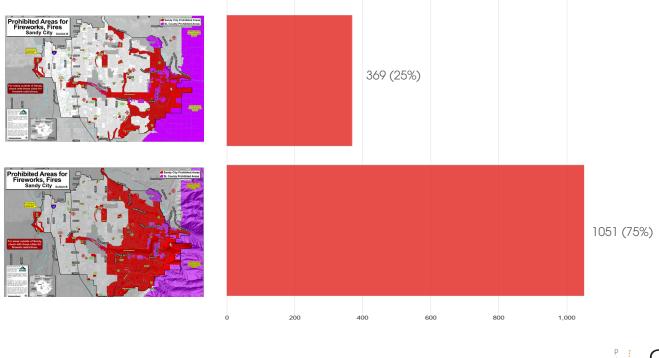
"What is your opinion about firework-restricted areas in Sandy?"

Overwhelmingly, respondents favor more firework restrictions in Sandy. When cross-analyzed, there was no effect on the results by location of their home (in a current restricted area, or East/West of 1300 E).



"What areas of Sandy City should be restricted from firework use? (Areas marked in red indicate restricted areas.)"

In line with the results of the above question, respondents preferred the more restricted map, 75% to 25%. Respondants were not informed if one was the current map, thereby not swaying them one way or the other and allowing them to make a more accurate choice between the two. Again, there was no effect on the results by location of their home.

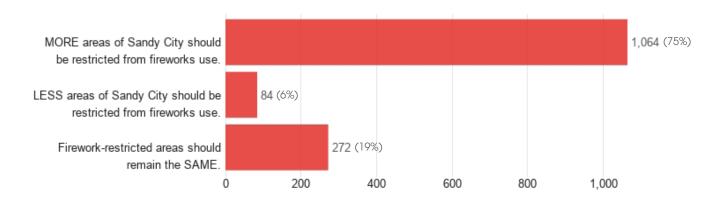




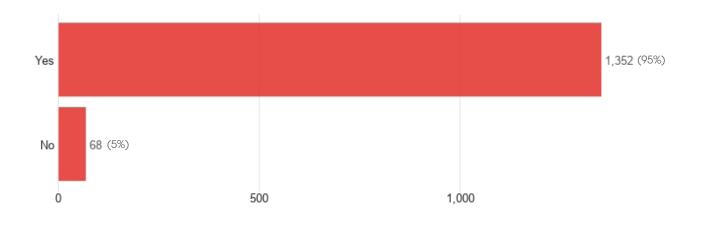
"In the last 2 years, the Sandy City Fire Department responded to 62 total firework-related incidents with an estimated cost of over \$50,000 in personnel resources (costs for equipment and supplies are not included in this total). This also includes the large fire in Dimple Dell in July 2017.

Asking again, this time based on the information above, what is your opinion about fireworkrestricted areas in Sandy?"

Again, respondents overwhelmingly favor more firework restrictions in Sandy. After reading the above information, the answers did not vary significantly or change pattern, although a few respondents did change their answers to be more in favor of restriction.

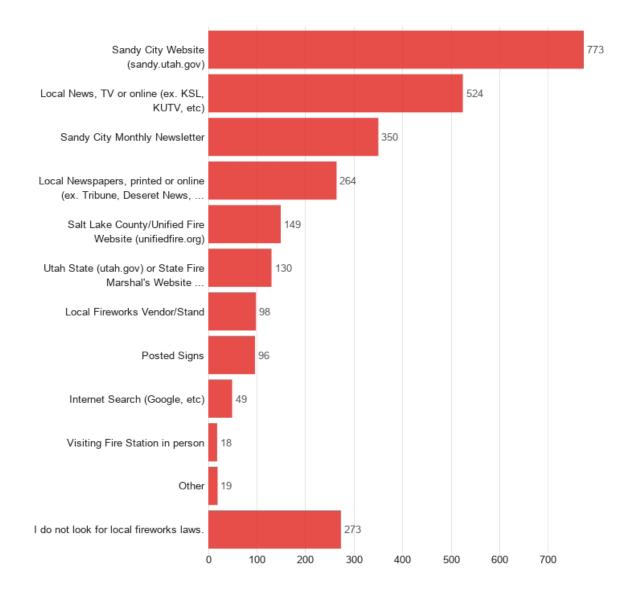


"In years with a drought, extreme dry conditions, increased fire hazards, etc., would you support additional firework restrictions?"





"Where do you search for or find firework laws for your area? (Select all that apply)"



Answers indicating "Other":

- By chance
- By attending meetings of the Granite Community Council
- If I hear of a restriction if it applies to me, I do it, but if I use logical thinking in my use of fireworks.
- My City Councilwoman's (Kris Nicholl) Facebook page
- Neighborhood Watch

- Social Media
- Ask someone reputable
- Nextdoor app
- I guess I assume the firworks being sold are legal.
- not sure
- Neighbors
- Sandy FB page
- Word of mouth



"Do you have any additional comments about firework use or restrictions in Sandy City?"

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- Yes the restrictions should be in historical Sandy. They do it on our streets and don't live there. The homeless come out from the other side of the Trac train in the creek and tgen blow them up and leave at 1 am. They leave the trash and go a few blocks away and do it again. There are so many people with no kids by the historic Sandy station and it's that whole block doing it. Families from the south side neighborhood of 9000th comes to the north side to do it in the parking lot. When cops come they just move into our streets.its ridiculous. We spend days before and after allowed firework days watering our roofs. The drive by and throw spinners out the windows at your homes. Our grass and such is too dry. We had 3 burn marks on my property last year and 9 the year before.when Rio Tinto does their show.. the neighbors come out and do theirs too. I have helped 5 neighbors with watering their roofs the last 3 years because they can't do it every night themselves. Please help.
- Would love to see more nose ordinance enforcement with fireworks. My neighbor's will light them until about 11-midnight and I work very early.
- With the newer laws in Utah allowing arial firworks and an extended season it feels like the entire month of July is interrupted by fireworks. What used to be fun has become increasingly dangerous and excessive. I am especially concerned when considering the dry year we are expecting. It would seem proactive to limit fireworks to prevent potential issues. I would also be curious what our fire crews think about this issue, what do they recommend? They're the experts!
- With the current drought, air quality situation Im sorry but fireworks should only be used by professionals in very restricted areas. Thats the way of the world these days.
- Wish we could ban them but barring that one day (24th) and(4th) is enough. Also, make the penalty for not observing the laws hurt.
- Wind restrictions should be enforced. Wind can carry firework embers to distant areas from neighborhoods where water is unavailable from hoses.
- why would there be fireworks restrictions just east of 1300 east, but not west of it? just the bigger
 money areas get protection? my back yard is on 13th east (1275 east) and I am bombarded with aerial
 explosives for hours on the 4th and 24th until well past midnight, keeping us from getting to sleep. there
 should be no private aerial explosives in residential areas.
- Why should a very few people be allowed to impact the vast majority of citizens and place their lives and property at risk?
- Why is creek road restricted? Maybe just say no arials in some places. I highly doubt doing a sparkler in my driveway is a real issue.
- Why doesn't Sandy have control over timing of fireworks in our city? Let SLC do what they want and people can go there to see them. Our quiet streets do not need the noise, smoke, and debris associated with fireworks that seem to last all of July!



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- White city need more firework restrictions.
- While it's fun to do at your house, we need to be responsible citizens. After our drier winter, I believe it would be smart to increase restrictions.
- While I enjoy them, and believe people should be free to enjoy them, we spend too much fighting fires every year. We get awakened at night after midnight weeks leading up to and following the holidays. And our air becomes super bad during the various activities. What is left over in the streets is not just inconsiderate, but awful.
- While I enjoy living in Sandy for the most part, I definitely do not enjoy the environment that exists around July 4th and July 24th. As someone who still has to go to work on the day after July 4th and the day after July 24th, the notion that folks can set off fireworks until midnight is ridiculous. Also, as a dog owner, we often either leave town for several days or at least drive around for many hours in order to ensure the dogs are not overly stressed. For these reasons (and many others) Sandy should look to implement additional fireworks-restricted areas.
- While I appreciate your attempt to get citizen input, this decision should be based purely on a risk and safety assessment by the fire department. I actually cannot believe you're even asking people this.
- While I appreciate some fireworks, the sheer number that are set off markedly effect air quality. I see little pay off for such an ephemeral display and would suggest a campaign to add other ways to celebrate the fourth of July and pioneer day to our culture.
- Where I came from in Colorado the 4th of July was the only day fireworks could be done, not the whole month of July. This month long practice has made me dislike fireworks all together. I do not like worrying about fires, pollution and noise keeping me up till 1am. I am thinking Utah government has no common sense.
- Where do I start? Why put our homes, pets children, parents, firefighters and mountains at risk with cheap entertainment that irritates many? Can the city afford the costs and risks to remediate? People are outright irresponsible. They don't care about anything or anyone outside of their little circle. They think nothing will happen but time and time again there are incidents, injuries, fires, burns, and people breaking laws. It really irritates me that people go to WY to bring explosives to Utah to shoot off illegal fireworks in family neighborhoods. Then they go off all week and I have to go to bed to sleep for work but I cannot because of the noise. You cannot open windows because of the smoke. It is not fun. I don't enjoy listening to the noise all day and all week. Pop, pop, pop, I'm not that old but I still worry and support cancelling neighborhood shows. Selling the fireworks to kids gives them the opportunity to be irresponsible. Parents are not watching them 100%. Kids want to play with fire and that gives them the excuse to be risky With the 'permission' because it is a holiday. If once is not enough it happens 2x every summer. Enough is enough. We don't want to have the mountains catching on fire. Holding the controlled event at a park is the way to go. This goes beyond free enterprise. It is an unnecessary risk to allow fireworks in neighborhoods. Also, why place our firefighters at risk because a kid or irresponsible adult wants to light matches and see a temporary explosion? Fireworks in residential areas or near the mountains have gotten ridiculous. Reminder, people are not following your laws, isn't that reason enough to curtail



it altogether? There are many other ways people can celebrate life with their families that is way safer. Please protect Sandy and surrounding areas from fire.

- When we have a drought year or lots of cheek grass do to a wet spring personal fire works should be prohibited. Also the neighborhood noise scares many animals beyond belief.
- We've lived here a long time and remember the fire in Dimple Dell Regional Park that was started by bottlerockets. It came perilously close to homes bordering on the south side of the park. I have now made it a practice to stay home on the 4th and 24th to keep the horses calm. Most of the time they do just fine, but we anticipate with the new development to the east of Bell Canyon Acres there will be fireworks that are closer to home and more frightening to the horses and other animals. I would favor a ban on fireworks anywhere east of 1300 East.
- We were sitting out on our balcony, and saw our neighbor's wood fence catch on fire. We ran over to tell them, and we were able to put the fire out. The fire department had been called, but it was a long wait before they could respond. I hate to think what could have happened if we had not caught it in time.
- We strongly support the restricted area outlined in exhibit B.
- We should cut down the days instead of 3 days prior and 3 days after. Keeping people up that need to work. Upsetting our pets. No reason. Would like to see the celebration done the day of the holiday only.
- We often leave town on the 4th and pioneer day, it really scared our dogs, and it is messy people often use them very late, and many days after the two holidays, Thank you for the survey.
- We need to find a better balance between the enjoyment of fireworks and their negative impacts. People should be encouraged to enjoy fireworks in community fireworks shows. Home fireworks should be restricted to the day before and day of the holidays that are legal now. Time of day should be limited to before midnight. Those who have breathing problems find it much harder to breath on fireworks days/ nights. You'd be amazed at the number of people that use CPAP machines. CPAP machines are for people whose oxygen level is lower than normal during the day. Please do something to help those of us who have breathing issues. Scientists have determined that 30% of San Francisco Bay area pollution originates in China. So, when the valley fills up with pollution and we hope for a strong wind to relieve our situation, we need to realize that it blows somewhere else. We all need clean air. Let's be responsible how we use it. Pets are especially bothered by the noise. Arial fireworks should be banned. I lay there all night hoping my house doesn't catch fire from one. I hear that our restrictions are loose because you need the tax revenue. Wrong!
- We need less government, not more.
- We love being able to have a small fireworks party in our circle with our neighbors and small kids. It provides us with the best sense of community of the entire year. I would be so disappointed if we weren't allowed to do fireworks with our little family. Nothing outrageous, but I wouldn't want to have to go to a major event to see them with my kids. Leave the restrictions as is please!!!!!!
- We live on one of the horse properties to the east of 1300 East. Last year was particularly bad as our neighbors to the south were even shooting fireworks off during broad daylight. We were outside when this happened and our horse and birds were visibly spooked and were panicked running in all directions.
 I grew up in Minnesota where if you wanted to see fireworks, you went to a public gathering. I believe Minnesota is the 12 wettest state and fireworks like the type seen in Utah are illegal. Since I've moved here, I've always been amazed that one of the driest places in the country has such lax rules on fireworks.



I hear a lot about freedom and protecting freedom. What about my freedom to opt out? My neighbors put me through a month of fireworks ever year. My concerns about air quality, fire hazards, as well as the fears of young children and wildlife (both wild and domestic) are put on the back seat of not just somebody who wants to blow things up, but is breaking the law by shooting them off at the wrong time, during broad daylight, and/or going to Wyoming to buy illegal ones. I'm following the rules and am punished. They are breaking the rules and continued to be told what they are doing is okay.

- We live next to a home that has a backyard just waiting for fireworks to set our homes on fire (it is not maintained). The people on streets on both sides of ours shoot huge high fireworks that land all over on roofs, yards it is a mater of time until we have a huge fire on homes and yards. We live on South Shady Dell Dr. Please restrict all arial fireworks all over the city!!! It is a huge problem for many reasons and we should not have to deal with the worry of fire and noise that scares pets and service people that have issues with the noise, and clogs our air We have enough pollution in the air without adding days and weeks of idiots trying to burn our homes down. Please please stop all arial fireworks. Verna Lapp
- We live near the Highland Drive extension. I would like to see restrictions near open fields like that. We have had several fires through the years in the field and caused by fireworks. We always request mowing but it doesn't always get done before the fireworks start. Very nerve wracking even when we weed behind our home. We're afraid to leave town. Our trees have been caught on fire and luckily we were there and put it out.
- We live near an open lot by Wasatch Blvd.. In times of drought, we live in fear that fireworks will catch fire to the lot, and then our home. The risk is huge... so why even allow fireworks near homes?
- We live just below a strip of natural (dry wild grasses and shrubs) land which caught fire from fireworks a few years ago, and burned our neighbor's fences and threatened homes. And yet fireworks are still allowed near this area. It is frightening to us every summer! I would like to see our area restricted so this won't happen again! (Approx. 1800 East and 10000 South)
- We live in the most beautiful city in the world and we need to protect it from needless fire hazards.
- We live in firework-restricted area close to DImple Dell, above 1300 East. We collect debris out of our yard, off roofs. Last July 24th I had to go from my house to car to pick up husband at airport...I took an umbrella to walk from front door to car to protect myself from falling debris. People are with 50 yards of my house setting these off. Terrifying ! I crouched behind the steering wheel till I was out of my neighborhood. I noted a Fire Dept car headed into my neighborhood as I drove out. Only a total ban on fireworks, no ground works even, & enforcement will deter these people. I am not opposed to people celebrating. Can there be a designated area where these people can go shoot off fireworks, with fire safety & medical nearby?
- We live in an extremely dry environment. Why are fireworks even legal?
- We live in a desert, and are experiencing drought conditions regularly now. There is no reason to risk burning down open spaces, homes, businesses etc... for the quick thrill of lighting a firework!! The air pollution along the Wasatch front is terrible as well. It is time to do away with personal fireworks! One show put on by a city each summer is more than enough!
- We live at 2613 E Willow Hills Drive and feel we shouldn't have a firework ban. 6 houses West, yes, but where we are...no.
- We live along the Highland corridor. We had a fire behind our back fence several years ago that started



about 1:00 or 1:30 AM the morning of the 5th of July . The fire department put it out, but it damaged our fence and our next door neighbors had a tree and some bushes burned. It's a scary situation each year. The city does not maintain the grasses growing along the corridor (they did years ago) so every summer we have the worry about the field catching fire.

- We intentionally stay home during firework holidays to ensure our property is safe from personal fireworks. Perhaps designate spots/parks for personal fireworks For some control?
- We have dogs and go to bed early. I can understand fireworks a couple nights a year on the actual holiday, but any more than that is pointless. Thanks!
- We have an empty corridor behind our house that is always tinder dry. It's always a fire hazard non the less fireworks are set off above the area. I love fireworks but hate the fact that our house could go up in flames because of fireworks. We had an incident years ago from a firework and the trees are still trying to regain life.
- We have an acre of property, with horses, and are concerned about the potential for fire year round. Our horses generally are on a pasture during summer, so not at our home, but fireworks other times of the year are very disruptive to our animals and hay in the barn near our home is a major concern. Neighbors shooting off fireworks two years ago started a fire in our side yard over the July 24 weekend, when we usually are out of town. Luckily we were at home that year and I was watching their activities out of concern when a firework went right into our yard instead of the street as they'd planned. I quickly hooked up a hose and put it out, with the help of partiers who jumped our fence and helped stamp out sparks. Surprisingly, not even an apology for shooting off illegal fireworks. Private property owners need more protection.
- We enjoy the big shows from our porch, less noise. Seems like there are lots of individuals shooting of fireworks.
- We enjoy fireworks, we do not set off fireworks. We live in a very dry area and do not want our homes or neighborhood burned due to negligent fireworks use.
- Want restricted days. Tired of all July people in neighborhood shooting them off all the time, late at night, even when they're not supposed to. No enforcement of it. Hate all the mess they leave.
- Utah is unique from all other states in that we have the 24th of July as a holiday where people celebrate with fireworks. That makes the whole month of July a time that people shoot them off. Not good. People do not follow the fireworks laws for the state. I would support restricting fireworks as much as possible. I remember growing up as a kid and this not being a problem. Every year it gets worse and worse.
- Utah already has poor air quality, and fireworks make it worse. I am one of many who is allergic to the air pollution, so it is difficult to breathe. When kids are advised to stay inside because of air quality, there is a problem. People often set off their fireworks late into the night and keep others awake. It scares people with PTSD, people with disabilities, and local wildlife and pets.
- types and times vs. conditions should be the focus plus re-enforcement where illegal. If we cannot enforce where it matters, what good is extending the breadth of that commitment?
- Too many people are irresponsible with fireworks!! They are getting bolder and bolder with the type they
 are using in neighborhoods (high shooting bursting type fireworks). Last year some flew errantly over our
 homes into our yards where there are children and pets!! Many in my neighborhood were very upset but
 we don't live in the "restricted" area of Sandy so there was nothing we could do unless an actually fire
 occurred or bodily/property damage. Nonetheless these were frightening events and no one should have



to be fearful in their own homes because of others irresponsible behavior with FIREworks. Please restrict and enforce no private 'aerial' fireworks in Sandy. Thank you!

- Too many fireworks are lot too late at night and for too many nights. Aside from fire danger, sleep is impossible.
- Time restrictions would be nice to add. Ending before 11pm would be great.
- Time limits should be enforced. Fireworks after 10:00 should be banned and heavily enforced.
- Thx for allowing my involvement.
- Those two maps are really impossible to read and give a realistic opinion!
- This survey suggests a weak attitude on your part toward firework restriction. I would also suggest that professional firework displays be limited in order to preserve air quality.
- They are fun but air quality sucks and people do it for too long. I wouldn't mind them being totally restricted.
- There should be no fireworks after the event. 2 nights are plenty
- There should be less restriction on where fireworks can be used, but more fees/fines associated with improperly setting off/cleaning up/using fireworks or causing a fire. Put the onus on those that are not following proper safety guidelines and not those who practice firework safety.
- There is no need for non professional fireworks in sandy. The restrictions should cover the entire city to reduce confusion about allowed areas and prohibited areas. Furthermore, your questions and relation to cost leaves out significant figures ie. injury rates, increased police calls, a psychological impact on veterans... The taxes gained from sales are minuscule compared to the costs and risks. Ban all but the professional demonstrations
- There is a big discrepancy between people who are from Utah and those that have moved here from other areas for work. As Sandy, and Utah diversify as more jobs come in for IT work etc (the second Silicone Valley) the more that might want change. If you grew up here, having fireworks is what you know its not necessarily what should be allowed. I grew up in another metropolitan area where fireworks were banned (Just moved here 2 years ago), major shows at high schools and designated safe areas for a major show by professionals are what I am used to. Having my neighbor set off aerials next to my house and let their debris land all over the place is very foreign to me. I hope to bring our outside perspective and change hearts and minds that this is dangerous. and maybe some new perspective. and more people from more restrictive states will be entering Utah too!
- There are many reasons to ban fireworks altogether. Fire danger us #1. Injury is #2. Allowing private displays diminishes the sense of specialness fir the city wide events and erodes the feeling of community when everyone dies their own mega displays in every neighborhood. Finally, until police and fire can adequately enforce the blatant violators, we should not allow the risk of harm to property and people by the careless or intentional violators in every neighborhood.
- There are far too many fireworks. I would ban them all together
- The whole situation is money driven, fireworks purveyors influenced legislators and cities and the legislators and cities wanted the revenue from permits and taxes. Time to fix it!!
- the whole city should be firework-restricted.
- The valley should not allow any aerial fireworks except the city display.
- The vacant corridor for a future Highland Drive extension is always full of dry grass and dangerous in July.



Police should patrol it every evening when fireworks are allowed. It also needs more weed control before each holiday, including dry hillsides and gullies adjacent to the corridor.

- The time that fireworks are allowed is to extensive. People start well before the holiday, and go all hours into the night. It's not great to wake up to loud booms every night for weeks before and after the holidays.
- The new laws just passed by the State Legislature are only minimally better. The time before and after the holiday should be eliminated. People in my neighborhood push the days and times so fireworks actually start at the end of June and continue until the middle of August. And, hearing fireworks at 2am is the norm. It's very hard to pinpoint the exact location so calling to complain is often a wasted effort. Law enforcement is too busy with real problems.
- The high aerials in my neighborhood are my greatest concern. These were only leagalized a few years ago and I feel that they are dangerous. They are also loud and often done late at night after 11pm on dates when that is not legal.
- The geography isn't the biggest nuisance to me about fireworks, it's the time that people chose to use them. If it were just on the 4th and 24th until mid-night I'm fine with it. But it seems to be an entire month that you'll hear them going off at all hours of the night. I'm sure the police have better things to do than patrol neighborhoods telling people to be quiet but if people can't be considerate of others then something is wrong with society.
- The folks in my neighborhood clearly have more money than sense and do not obey restrictions on dates or times.
- The fireworks have gotten totally out of hand with neighbors shooting them off weeks and even months after the last allowed day. The Salt Lake Valley has some of the worst air quality & yet its filled with smoke for too many days from fireworks. We live in a desert & the likelihood of a wildfire caused by fireworks is likely. Enough already!
- The community should not have to be exposed to a month-long barrage of bombing popping and cracking, please eliminate all private fireworks in Sandy
- The area around Farnsworth farm should be restricted. The farm is not maintained. The farm consists of many fruit trees and the grass is not kept cut. It is only a matter of time until the farm catches fire.
- The amount of debris left all over from aerial fireworks is enough to ban them, in my opinion. The fire hazard is more than reason enough, though.
- Thanks for the survey! I hope to see tighter restrictions on fireworks, not only in Sandy, but throughout the state. The arguments for less restrictions are weak and self-serving considering the impact on our air quality, property damage, noise pollution, and trauma to animals. It's time.
- thanks for seeking input.
- Thanks for asking!
- Thank you for your interest in surveying the citizens on this matter. Noise is also very disrupting to my young kids after 10pm who are trying to sleep. Danger of fire in open fields is a major concern. Aerial fireworks should be restricted in all areas near any open field, gully, etc. and only allowed on certain days/ times in non restricted areas.
- Thank you for this opportunity to express our opinions.
- Thank you for the survey. I think fireworks should be restricted to the firework shows put on but the city or county. It needs to be safe.



- Thank you for letting us weigh in. My concern is mostly about cost; \$50,000 doesn't seem like a whole lot of gain for the pain, given the city's size (Less than a dollar per person ...) I'd be more in favor of actively deterring drone flights during Sandy City's firework show--they're very distracting.
- Thank you for keeping our neighborhood safe!
- Thank you for inquiring!
- Thank you for conducting this survey. My backyard is part of a heavily wooded gully and would be a fire highway if a fire got out of control. I am terrified every time fireworks are being set off in my neighborhood and was horrified and furious when I found out that rocket type fireworks were legal in my area. I am not surprised about all the incidents cited in this survey. Please enact more restrictions. Thank you!
- Thank you for asking. There are ZERO benefits in allowing residents to explode dangerous fireworks in our neighborhood, and plenty of sound reasons to prohibit such silliness. Health, safety, noise, fire, debris ... in exchange for what? The excitement of adult-aged children in getting a thrill? Seriously, this is not worth considering further. Simply ban fireworks in our city by residents and let them go elsewhere to blow up miniature munitions.
- Thank you for asking for our opinions!
- Support none east of 1300 E. Ruins our sleep, terrifies our animals, fire hazard, no one follows laws about dates/times to set them off, especially aerials.
- Strict time enforcement!!! No more fireworks after 10
- Still way too many illegal fireworks going on. This isn't the time nor area for selfish use of loud, polluting fireworks, especially when the neighbors have no say in the matter. It's the equivalent of me blaring out AC/DC or Black Sabbath on my outdoor sound system at 11:00 at night. Firecrackers, bottle rockets, and their big brothers and sisters from Wyoming have no relationship to "patriotism". Thanks for listening, and I know this is a big problem with no easy solution.
- Since I do not set off fireworks, I favor more not less control. They are great when done by professionals at parks, etc.
- Shorten the days allowed for fireworks. Only the day before, the day of and the day after. Restrict fireworks from the foothill areas.
- Seriously, In this day and age we know how dangerous fireworks are. Not worth the risks involved, all in the name of fun.
- Sandy should enact fireworks curfews like other cities.
- Safety first and finding a balance between celebrating, safety and responsibilities. I am not well informed on this topic.
- restrictions should go to State Street
- Restrictions serve no purpose if not enforced. Expanding restrictions will serve no purpose until existing restrictions are enforced. Laws are made to be broken. Laws and restrictions mean nothing to the lawless and disrespectful people who are hell-bent to do as they please -- especially when they know the laws will not be enforced...!!! What is the result of this survey... ...a waste of my time...? I appreciate the questions. I anticipate the results.
- Restrictions on personal use of airial fireworks should be enforced to prevent fires. We know these cause fies to both private and public property.
- Restrict the time not the areas. Areas are good already but they go on too late.
- Restrict the days before and after that they can go off in neighborhoods



- Restrict all on yellow or red air days. Users should assume all liability including monetary for any fires they start.
- Restrict all fireworks in all of Sandy
- Restrict all fireworks in a drought situation
- restrict all areas we can, and restrict hours they can be shot off (make it so they cannot be shot off after say 9:30 pm)
- Require tighter restrictions on days to use. July 4th, Christmas and New Years only!!!!!!!
- Rather than additional restricted areas, I would prefer that we go back to banning any and all aerial fireworks as well as really loud ones that are ground-based.
- public open events only!!!!!!
- Population has increased too much to have personal fireworks. Public fireworks are safer. People set off fireworks in neighborhoods late at night causing drowsy driving from lack of sleep. Respitory problems increase from the bad air.
- Please, please ban and enforce.
- Please restrict! Thank you!
- PLEASE restrict the fireworks and limit the days they can use them! Too dangerous and too many idiots out there! Thank you
- Please restrict the days and times when fireworks are allowed. July 4th, Pioneer Day, and New Year's Eve. July 4th and Pioneer Day fireworks should end at midnight.
- Please restrict fireworks, last year there were at least 5 aerials going off at the same time in my neighborhood block. Extreme fire hazards and noisy and it is not good for the animals.
- Please restrict fireworks to town sponsored events.
- Please restrict fireworks all together. A girl down the street from me lost sight in her left eye. She now wears a glass eye. I don't like my children around fireworks, whether that is on my property, or anyone else's. They aren't worth the pollution, noise, or risk of injury or fire.
- Please restrict firework use to a few safe regulated areas in the City. Fireworks are dangerous and have a determintal impact to air quality, PTSD victims, animals and chikdren.
- Please restrict all fireworks in Sandy by private residents in Sandy. It is highly disruptive to pets, birds and other wildlife, is extremely noisy, leaves nasty smoke in air, leaves litter on streets, and those who set these off do not care about being legal or safe, and don't care what others think.
- Please remove the firewood restriction at 11500 S and 2000 East.
- Please prohibit all fireworks from Dimple Dell Regional Park
- Please make the days leading up to and the days after the holidays that include fireworks illegal! Even one day before/after is better than 3. I love fireworks and the thrill that comes with them but those who light them for a week before and after and all hours of the night have made me really dislike them the past few years
- Please limit fireworks to only the holiday day not the 5 days total now and 10 total days in July. There should only be 2 days in July.
- Please include all areas where there is dry grass/flammable material.
- Please enforce existing laws and enlarge the banned areas!!
- PLEASE do your best on stopping all of the ILLEGAL fireworks activity. It is so dangerous and truly not



worth the cost to the city nor the risks of fire, injury, etc. Why would a city let another person infringe upon my privacy, safety and risk to life in any fashion - especially for such a frivolous pleasure as lighting fire in the sky!

- Please do all that you can to limit personal fireworks, but also to encourage people to enjoy the Sandy fireworks displays or any other safe, community fireworks displays. I loved watching (not setting off) fireworks as a kid, but now they just scare me because I keep hearing about all the fires that are set, kids injured, etc.
- Please designate special fireworks areas, so residential areas can be safe. For two weeks every year, we have noise and explosions until 2:00 am every night.
- Please be compassionate and restrict personal use of fireworks. They are dangerous, polluting, and extremely traumatizing to animals and many people. I feel like I live in a war zone throughout the entire month of July and dread the month all year.
- Please ban fireworks, it's a month of agony and annoyance, especially when working and up early. I know the ban won't solve anything, but at least gets the word around to stop.
- Please ban fireworks at all times except for the actual holiday. We do not need to light fireworks off for an entire week. The 4th of July, 24th of July, and New Year's Eve is plenty.
- Please ban All use of fireworks by the general public. The amount of illegal use is staggering. Also, I am an environmental scientist and can tell you that firework smoke contains a vast array of toxic substances.
- Please ban all aerials or limit the number of days allowed.
- Please BAN aerial fireworks all together. Please! TOO dangerous. Also, please limit the number of days that fireworks are allowed, beyond the new legislation past this 2018 session. They should only be allowed on the day of the holiday (July 4th, July 24th, Dec. 31). There is no reason to extend the noise, air pollution, and fire danger.
- Please also eliminate what feels like a months' worth of allowing fireworks. They are noisy, disruptive and anything more than 4th of July and 24th of July is overkill! Thank you!
- Please add more restrictions to fireworks in Sandy City. The noise and fire dangers are excessive. Too many residents are disrespectful of others and of the protection of property. I understand people think they are fun however not everyone enjoys the noise and fire risk. Why do firework lovers always seem to get their way vs. the voices of those opposed to fireworks? It's an "American Right"? To be disrespectful of peace in our fair city? My stomach gets sick every July 4th & 24th!!!
- Please add more firework restrictions they are unnecessary and negatively affect our already poor air quality. It would be better to have more group firework shows at various parks than allowing so many individuals to light off as many as they want. It seriously sounds like bombing outside all night long on the 24th of July.
- personally, I don't feel MORE restrictions are the answer. those that want to do it are going to do it anyway. however, increase the penalties for illegal disbursement etc. I am planning to host my 16th neighborhood 4th of July potluck and fireworks this year. in all those years, despite having some flawed fireworks go off quite spectacularly, we have never had more than a skinned knee from falling on asphalt, or a burned finger from touching a hot sparkler (I provide water buckets). Its about showing respect for the power your wielding and I don't take it lightly.
- Perhaps time restrictions? i.e. No Fireworks past midnight?



- People still set off fireworks in restricted areas within a block of my home and I have never seen police or fire department personnel in the area at that time. There seems to be no penalty for breaking the rules.
- People set off fireworks well after 10 pm. I'd like to see the hours for fireworks strictly enforced. Last year, on both July 4th and July 24th, fireworks were going off in my neighborhood until the early morning hours. I'd like to see all fireworks restricted; barring that, I'd like to see more restricted areas and more noise enforcement.
- People don't care and they still light them past the curfew hours. They should be banned completely in Sandy.
- People caught using illegal fireworks and those that start fires because they are using them irresponsibly should pay for the fires they cause.
- People are lazy in cleanup (I sweep the cirlce and I don't even set any off) and disrespectful. Even with shortened state times 3 days before and after on 4th and 24th, we have them in my neighborhood for the whole month of July, seriously, and frequently after 11 p.m.. Who can go to bed with their windows open with that noise? It is absolutely ridiculous with our old pine trees dropping needles everywhere. I've had rockets come over the houses onto my pool cover and burn a hole in it. 4 years ago a springer spaniel jumped my 6 foot fence trying to get in my sliding glass door, scratched the heck out of it, and later I traced/found out he had run from DRAPER during July 24th celebrations. Enough is enough.
- People always light fireworks too late at night when people are trying to sleep.
- Our neighbors to not follow restrictions. The set them off all year. My husbands birthday is the 4 thbof July. We hate his birthday week because we don't get sleep and our dogs go crazy.
- Our neighbors shoot lots of big, loud fireworks. They scare our dog and neighbors' horses, and make the air smoky. When I was a kid, aerial fireworks were not allowed, and the fireworks that stayed close to the ground were plenty of fun.
- Our air needs to be protected, so we can be protected
- Only have fireworks at public venues
- Once a year, 4th of July only, city fireworks show is okay, although it is bad for air quality and frightening animals. Neighbors are rude and thoughtless in my area, shooting late and with obviously illegal fireworks. I'd prefer a complete ban of individual fireworks.
- On the question where we choose the map I chose the more restricted but mean, no aerials in this area. Little family firework displays are fine but no aerials in this area.
- Ok, if fireworks can easily start an area on fire then don't light fireworks off there period, I do not need. My more laws to govern my public behavior. Look if my Nieghbor puts on a great firework display, cleans up after themselves, stops before 12 on a non work week, or around 11pm week day, then it's al good. I won't need to call the police even if he has illegal fireworks. The police and fines can possibly site every violator, they can not especially if no one calls them. I don't want to be regulated to every thought I have, let's be mature about this, teach morals not regulations!!!!! It's imoral to put in a TRAX line which is to save us from ourselves, but instead I breath in idling Car emissions, the worst kind, as 100 cars in each direction are waiting for 3 people riding on the train. One action leads to other actions which are worst then the first action. Stop already with more restrictions! Place the Police presents in the area of the City where the most problems occur. Then charge that violator \$50,000 for last year's bill. There problem solved. Instead of this politically driven expensive "survey" use money on a "campaign" to be a



good decent moral citizen and follow these dates precautions. Be a Girl or Boy Scout when you light off fireworks! And if you make a mistake, then man up and take care of your "crap."

- Obviously I support a total ban, but the absolute #1 reason is the chance of fire.
- No more personal fireworks, period!
- Needs to be state law... city by city does not work. I live on border of three cities and unincorporated SLC.
- Needs to be better enforced. You can make all the rules as laws you want but if they aren't enforced then it doesn't matter. Our neighborhood is clearly marked as a fire works restricted area with permanent signs but people ignore it and nothing is done by the city/law enforcement.
- Nearly all the fires caused by fireworks are because of young people goofing off. The age to buy should be raised to 21 and that would solve the majority of the problem. Don't take the fun away from those off us that are responsible. Perhaps focus on education rather than taking more personal freedoms.
- My neighbors set another newbies tree on fire 2 years ago, it was horrible. I think fire works should be banned. People around us use the huge Ariel and they are so loud and annoying and scare our dogs.
- My neighborhood was previously unrestricted, and then was made restricted for no apparent reason or notification.
- My husband is a veteran with ptsd. The constant fireworks in July have completely ruined the whole month for us. We try to get out of state- at least for the 24th- but then we worry our house will catch on fire. There is absolutely no reason for everyone to have aerial fireworks. It's ridiculous, noisy, and makes our bad air worse. If people love fireworks that much they should go to a show.
- My household doesn't light fireworks, but one of the benefits of not living in an HOA is you don't have to go by another's whim. So, if it's not against current law and (most importantly) not a potential hazard for fire, let it be.
- My first choice is to restrict them to public events only, but since that will not happen, I would like to adopt much stricter guidelines for where and when they can be used. Since the change a few years back where some that did go up in the air could be used, there are now illegal fireworks going aerial that look like they are from a public event. I have lived here for 20+ years and observed, fire after fire in Dimple Dell, countless animals terrified and run away, resulting in some being hit by cars and/or never found again, veterans in my neighborhood who suffer from PTSD who choose not to attend public fireworks events but now have no choice but to be terrified in their own homes while residents fire off fireworks for several days and for several hours. I support the shortened firework season that Salt Lake just imposed, it should be 3 days around each holiday and otherwise none. We have enough public displays and with the soccer stadium in Sandy, they frequently do fireworks after games. I would also like to see residents have a hotline they could call and actually get some action taken when you call and have someone shooting off illegal ones or shooting them off at 0100 in the morning. We are a desert state with terrible air pollution with more people streaming in each year. We need to make some sensible decisions on this practice.
- My family will support your decision.
- My circle, Willow Wick Ct., was added to the restricted area 2 years ago without notice or input by those affected. There was no history of incidents but a vocal resident on the adjacent street has been proud to say that it was added after his multiple noise complaints to the Sandy City Fire Marshall. Now the residents on my street believe it is more about knowing someone in Sandy government than fire safety. I agree.



- My biggest problem with fireworks is the pollution they cause. I think real fireworks should only be done by the city. Sparklers by residents would be ok....
- My biggest issue with fireworks is when neighbors fire them off late into the night 11-1am). More patrols and police presence in neighborhoods and actual enforcement of curfews would be great
- My biggest concern is with aerial fireworks. I have seen a couple of cases where they tip over and shoot sideways creating a very dangerous situation. I believe there should be tighter restrictions on these in neighborhoods. These should only be allowed in open areas like parks with big open fields of green grass with low fire restrictions. I really don't want my house to burn down because my neighbor was careless with aerial fireworks.
- My answer to questions cover all my concerns. The worst is not being able to breath from the smoke in the air and the constant noise , even before and after celebration days.
- Most people are good and follow the law. The only problem I have is the ones that continue to shoot off fireworks after the time or date restrictions. The police cannot be everywhere so it is impossible to enforce all restrictions. Make the restrictions reasonable and people will follow them. Make them too restrictive and all you get is more law breakers who tend to go too far.
- Most of the homes in Sandy are all or partially wood, including those in my neighborhood (approximately 9950 self and 20th east). Last July and communicated via phone and email with an individual who works at Sandy city. The fireworks set off by in our neighborhood came dangerously close to starting a fire. I live next to a circle where people were shooting off aerials and other types of fireworks; the debris wound up landing on my lawn, front porch, near and on very dry vegetation, etc.—30-50 feet away. Please restrict fireworks in residential areas, as they do in most of Salt Lake City and parts of the county. Thank you.
- More trouble than enjoyment
- More information and education should be publicized on the risks to personal property by the use of launch-able fireworks.
- More enforcement of fireworks in restricted areas needed! Too many are setting off fireworks east of 1700 East. Fire danger is way too high.
- More enforcement for people using fireworks outside of legal hours/days.
- Mayor Bradburn remains a breath of fresh air for Sandy City.
- Maybe have those that are restricted, be in large parking lots. A cop presence and building taped w/ caution tape about 60 feet of barrier. Can we please do the parade and fireworks at a different time of year? Memorial Day,flag day (June 14)? Less hot and vegetation no so dry, less smoke in air on Fourth of July.
- Many are after hours and for days at a time. I hate it and so does my dog.
- Love aerial fireworks yet I want to use them responsibly. I believe it should be responsible to light the fireworks from within Buttercup Park large grass area, neighbors can share, more help if a problem does appear, no "highly flammable" foilage.
- Loud high flying fireworks should be restricted in Historic Sandy where houses are older, closer together, and less fire retardant.
- lived in Sandy 38 years & have always enjoyed fireworks, but getting out of hand on & around our neighborhood - noise, mess left (street & on our property), lateness on holidays, weeks before & after holidays, etc. When fewer people lived in our area was no big deal, but now no empty lots! db
- Limiting the time frame to day before and day if for 4th of July and day of only for Pioneer Day. Also limiting



and enforcing time restrictions 10:00 pm w/o special permitting would seam within reason

- Like just please, Please restrict fireworks for the middle part of July, I hear fireworks from late June all the way until early august, Every night.
- Let's have sensible restrictions. This is a time to celebrate our Independence, this is a big deal. People need to stop complaining about everything. The firemen are doing the job they were hired for, still costs money to be on duty.
- Less days. Less area. Less days!
- Less days for fireworks. Day before and day after is enough. Not six days.
- Laws and regulations without enforcement are useless. Start issuing tickets, fines, etc. for violations. We live in a desert and fireworks in summer dry season is a terrible idea. New Years typically coincides with inversion conditions and fireworks are a not insignificant contributor of particulate matter to the air.
- Last year my daughters home was threatened by that Dimple Dell fire. It was extremely scary as her daughter with cerebral palsy isn't able to walk, that along with a new baby. She called me in a panic while she was trying to hose her home down with water. I was racing trying to load the children and their things into my car to take to safety. I have noticed an increased usage of aerial fireworks in the past few years. Last year is off the charts for our neighborhood. I have a hand-split shake roof and it scares me to death every year. My family usually only does a handful of very small ones and sparklers for the children then we head on over to the City display every year. I do want to thank the firemen for the great job they do. I realize that they are fighting an uphill battle on this one, but I do believe that their needs to be huge fines. and Bans on Fireworks to protect us all.
- Last summer Independence Day sounded like I was in a war zone with all the fireworks and rockets. Also, there should an 11 pm limit on use of fireworks.
- Keep fireworks out of Sandy City
- I'd prefer the aerials be illegal again
- It's unfortunate that there are individuals who cannot take proper precautions when using fireworks. That being said, let's not turn this into California. Let us celebrate America like Americans.
- It's time to put a stop to these ridiculous fireworks. I hear them constantly. They are set off by the same offenders every single year outside of the time limits that are currently in place. I'M SICK OF IT. I need to get up early to get to work and I have 2 weeks of suffering in July. My animals hate it. I hate it. My neighbors leave debris EVERYWHERE in the circle. Last year I had debris on my roof and in my back yard. It's absolutely ridiculous. PLEASE ALL RESTRICT FIREWORKS. I live by the Dimple Dell Gully and Dog Park and we have fires down there every single year.
- It's really getting out of hand at this point. I feel like I live in a war zone every holiday that allows fireworks.
- It would be nice to know where the current restricted area is before answering this survey.
- It would be better if you provided a map to show what the current restrictions are so I could assess whether they are too restrictive. It would also be nice if you characterize the expense for 62 total firework-related incidents -- if these occurred in restricted areas or not.
- It seems like the number of people lighting fireworks from their personal property has increased over the past ten years. We worry about our property being damaged as a result. In addition, the days that fireworks are allowed to be set off should be restricted. The whole month of July is nerve wracking for pets.
- It has been surprising to me how little neighbors and others think about wildfires in this area. It would not



take much to get something moving down a canyon with all the new housing on the bench area. I am glad to see the city making efforts at prevention.

- It doesn't matter whether you light off fireworks or not or what kind you light off because there is little to no enforcement of firework laws
- It doesn't matter the restriction area. Not many follow the laws or ordinances yo begin with. More focus (i.e. overtime shifts, more patrols during the 6 days) should be placed on the enforcement.
- Interesting that only wealthy areas of Sandy have restrictions. Increase patrols of unrestricted areas to reduce late night fireworks use. Work to restrict large fireworks.
- Increase late night patrols in the restricted areas before, during & after legal dates & hours.
- In this valley, where we have such bad air quality, it is terrible to allow fireworks. We owe it to ourselves and our children to discontinue the use of private firework displays.
- In order to protect lives, health and property of its citizens, Sandy City and every other municipality must have absolute control over fireworks legislation and ordinances that preempt the Utah State Legislature. It is we the citizens of Sandy that bear the cost of fires, property damage and injury to others. Those costs may be direct in the case of emergency services responding to an incident or indirect in increased cost of fire insurance or lost productivity. It is time for Sandy City to take the lead and abolish the unsafe practice of allowing citizens to detonate fireworks in our neighborhoods.
- In addition to the changes I've already responded to, I think there should be restricted on the number of days before and after the 2 holidays in July that's fireworks are allowed.
- Illegal fireworks have been tolerated here since at least 1982 when my family moved here. The noise, debris, etc., and the thoughtlessness of those who seem to have an endless appetite and budget for this -- especially on late nights when some of us needed to sleep because we had to get up and go to work at 5:20 a.m. -- is what has bothered me most. This past July we had a huge gathering on the street behind us, and I was finding debris on my rooftop and in my yard for months. This is senseless... I don't understand how the state government, which abhors "government overreach," can take away local control in matters like this.
- If you have rules and regulations they should be enforced. It would be hard but they need extra enforcement and should be held accountable for damages if assistance required. I wish they would just ban them all together and allow at the public controlled gathering which are enjoyed by all involved. Thanks for all you do.
- If possible designate an area for people.to light their fireworks off, or request the state to allow us to designate a public space. Ultimately, I think official fireworks shows with professionals should be all that is allowed. The whole state is a tinder box, especially in July!!!! Let's end the threat of fire. Thank you! Survey is a great idea!
- If people were taught how to do the fireworks the correct way and how to be prepared and know how to put out a fire just in case something happened. I know it is not your responsibility but there are a lot of people out there that have no clue what to do if anything happened. Teach Sandy citizens like they were in 2nd grade.
- If people feel the need to have their own fireworks, that's fine. And if increasing the restricted areas would decrease fire danger and decrease the cost to the city of responding to "accidental" (more likely negligent) incidents, then I would say the restrictions should be increased until there is negligible cost to the city to have residents lighting their own fireworks. Unfortunately, it seems that the only way to



achieve this would be to ban personal fireworks altogether along with increasing fines and penalties for having illegal fireworks.

- If it only cost the city \$50,000 in additional resources to support firework season then I consider that taxes well spent in my opinion.
- If it is a dry year like 2017. Restrictions should be in place. No if's and's or but's about it. It was too scary for us all. Even if we don't live near Dimple Dell or something like that. It is still just too close to home for anyone
- If fireworks-restricted areas cover a significant amount of area within the city, I desire a few public locations where city residents within restricted areas may travel to those public locations within the city to set off personal fireworks if desired.
- IF fireworks are allowed they should only be on Fourth of July and the 24th- not any additional days!
- If anything aerial fireworks, the ones that shoot way up, should NOT be allowed in neighborhoods! They really should have remained illegal. They are too dangerous especially in the hands of amateurs. Also, if we are having consistent orange & red air days, we should not be letting off fireworks to make it worse.
- I'm tired of people shooting the fireworks off for DAYS ... I think it should be the holiday only and nothing after 11PM except New Years. Some of us have to get up and go to work and those that think it appropriate to be out at midnight are just rude and inconsiderate and will probably not respect any laws anyway. My pets are terrified...why should we all go through that for days? One day only is enough!
- I'm so tired of people in our neighborhood lighting fireworks in the middle of the night, then having to clean up the mess the next day. It seems to be getting worse every year, with people lighting fireworks between July 4th and Pioneer Day (the entire month of July), plus it seems to go into August, with people lighting their leftovers. With the exception of the few residents who seem to enjoy disrupting the neighborhood, everyone else in our neighborhood is angry about the (mis)use of fireworks. Thank you so much for addressing this issue! Leslie Hugo
- I'm just tired of my neighbor shooting fireworks towards my house, not there's and have to pick up their debris. I find it on my new \$8500 roof and new details k. They dont muck care that I have a problem with that.
- I'd actually like fireworks banned throughout Sandy City, or have existing laws aggressively enforced.
- I wouldn't mind a complete residential ban. People light them all through the night and on nights that are not legal. It frightens dogs, keeps kids and adults awake, causes pollution, etc. I see no purpose, there are plenty of free public shows.
- I would support restricting aerial fireworks. I think the current geographic restrictions are sufficient when only ground fireworks are allowed, but aerial are more dangerous and we've seen incidents with those that make us more concerned.
- I would support limiting fireworks in Sandy. I live in an area where people are always violating firework laws/ restrictions. It is not practical for law enforcement to regulate the limited restrictions we have. The city of Sandy needs to enforce stricter regulations because what is being done is not effective or practical. The entire month of July is a stressful time for us and our pets.
- I would support going back to making aerial fireworks illegal for private residents, as much as I love fireworks. They are dangerous and messy. It's not worth the tradeoff.
- I would support a total ban of private fireworks.
- I would strongly support a complete ban on fireworks not only in Sandy but all of Salt Lake County.



- I would restrict all ariel fireworks in all of Sandy
- I would like to see more patrol of the restricted areas as I have often seen neighbors setting off fireworks in a restricted area.
- I would like to see more enforcement of after hours firework use.
- I would like to see enforcement of fireworks restrictions. We live east of 3000 east which is really restricted, yet we always hear fireworks and always last 11 pm, and always over a week before/after each holiday. Can Sandy publish and distribute a fireworks report phone line?
- I would like to see designated areas where private fireworks could be lit off and everything else restricted.
 For example a few large parks, open spaces or parking lots where people could gather in groups and light off their fireworks. In my neighborhood I find aerial firework "left overs" in my back yard every time they are lit off. I am concerned about a fire, not to mention having to clean up after everyone else.
- I would like to see consideration given for equestrian and large-animal property areas, where residents often have to stay home to watch over their animals to prevent injury and/or escape. Unlike a dog or cat it is more difficult to safely pen up an equine.
- I would like to see better enforcement for people doing fireworks after hours and of the large arial explosive type. Some of my fellow veterans really suffer late at night on a holiday meant to celebrate our freedom. My children, my pets and myself also struggle when people go all hours into the night. Especially when I have to work the next morning. It is sad we cannot expect people to be more considerate as they seek their entertainment.
- I would like to see a lot MORE restrictions due to fire hazard and air quality. Whatever is done, enforcement of the restrictions needs to be implemented better
- I would like it to be more than three days before and after an event.
- I would like how many days before and after holiday more restricted.
- I would just like the fireworks to be on the 4th and 24th... Not the entire month!
- I would be ok with fireworks if people were more considerate and didn't set them off after 11:00 pm and outside of the allowed days. I can only keep my dog sedated for so long and I need to be able to plan for those times.
- I would be in strong support of enforcement of fireworks allowed only on certain days near a holiday (not sure if there is any law on this now). There are fireworks near my home every night in July and my pets hate it.
- I would be happy if we banned fireworks. Especially when we are in a dry season.
- I would be happy if all fireworks were restricted
- I would be happy if all fireworks were outlawed. They are a fire hazard. I don't buy them, use them or even like them. If I want fireworks, I'll go to a Bees game.
- I would ban them all together personally. But as large a restricted area as possible please and a number to call when the restrictions are broken.
- I would appreciate better notification of dates/times/places that Sandy City would be doing fireworks thanks!
- I worry about my horses and my shake roof. I have been endangered by a neighbors malfunctioning aerial firework when it tipped over and shot almost directly at me as I was walking near my garage. It hit my garage door and exploded only a few feet from me. I also worry about Dimple Dell. More restrictions are



needed around the park. I clean up my neighbor's firework trash for months after their show. The debris I find on my shake roof scares me.

- I work shift work. Go to bed at 8 and up at 4. Lots of people in lower economic areas work shift work.
 Although my home in Cresentwood Park is supposed to be fireworks free, it's not. Across Vista way (300 east) people do fireworks till 2-3 am. Huge artillary shells like you get in Evanston Wy. For a week before and a week after both the 4 and 24 it's like a war zone. Come here on the 4 th and you'll think u were in Afghanistan. The poor guys with PTSD. My dog broke his back jumping into the tub to hide and I had to put him to sleep. This is not kids lighting sparklers or a 20 buck kit. This is grown Men trying to outdo his neighbor.
- I wish Sandy City would just ban them period.
- I want sandy to be very proactive with recycling and preservation of all its beauty. We do not need to blow up stuff. We do not need to scare animals. We do not need to waste money on such a outdated activity especially with our dry and polluted air. Come on sandy. Be proactive!!! No plastic bags. Recycle more items ie glass and yard waste. NO MORE FIREWORKS!!!
- I vote for complete elimination of all fireworks in Sandy. The air quality is bad enough without us adding more to the problem.
- I understand it's hard to control when people lite fireworks. I wish there was a way to limit the use after 11:30 pm at night. I have a son-in-law with PTSD's from the Iraq War and even though he is very patriotic he couldn't handle fireworks for several years after returning home. After several years of therapy he actually can participate in being around them again. I think it is important to allow people to demonstrate their freedoms at certain times of the year. I wish there was a way that they could be more considerate of others. My son-in-law was able to work through many difficult years but I also see the frustration with families that have small child and animals. Thanks for your efforts in trying to find a solution for everyone. I am in favor of everyone being patience and making some sort of sacrifice so others can enjoy the holidays.
- I truly hate fireworks. It has been pure h*** when fireworks are allowed. In my area where I live when fireworks go off they are so loud and so strong it really sounds like A-war zone. We should be rid of this we didn't have it before I don't know why we have it now unless it's a political decision
- I think they should be banned for personal use. Our lives, our homes, our air is more precious and important. also way to many that do them before/after days allowed, doing them way past midnight and nothing is done do stop that. I value my hope, property, my children & grandchildren lives way to much to risk losing them
- I think the whole town should be restricted except for town run events. It's too dry during the summer and a lot of residents shoot their fireworks too close to homes.
- I think the timeline should be restricted, as well.
- I think the state allowing aerial fireworks was a really bad idea. I wish they had never done it.
- I think the risk of wildfire in the foothills is too great to allow stupid people the opportunity to burn it down, along with homes and all of our water resources.
- I think the information given about the cost of firework related costs was a bit inadequate. We're incidents cause by legal or illegal use of fireworks? If it is illegal use then my opinion of keeping the rules the same stand. If they were caused by legal use, I may change my opinion.



- I think that with drought and our wilderness in the areas close to the range or near an area that is in danger of wildfires, I agree with the restrictions but it is hard to get people to adhere by these rules as there will always be someone who will light off fireworks when they are not supposed to which then ruins it for those who enjoy lighting fireworks off with our families.
- I think Sandy City tries to control the use of firework but many of the citizens don't obey the area and time restrictions. Keep up the good work.
- I think only trained professionals should be allowed to shoot off fireworks. The current situation has gotten completely out of hand. I do not want to put a strain on our emergency responders.
- I think ONLY monitored firework displays in public areas should be Allowed. No private fireworks in neighborhoods! Too costly, too dangerous ! I have had fireworks let off in the street while I was driving home! Almost landed on my car, plus the mess was still there the next day. And the late night noise! Many people work over the 4th and 24th and to have them in the neighborhood every night for 2 weeks is just a nightmare for those who have to go to work the next morning. Plus the neighborhood dogs bark constantly while the fireworks are being set off. Please stop allowing private fireworks in neighborhood streets!
- I think only in dry areas and close to the mountains and dry vegetation should be restricted. Accidents can happen even with professionals doing for the city. Instructions on how to use fire works correctly and safety should always be reminded and available. Restricting or prohibiting won't stop everyone anyways. I believe in informing and educating people not controlling them.
- I think many people don't think through the consequences when they use fireworks. I've seen people use fireworks in very dry/windy conditions. I know of one family (not in Sandy) that actually had their house burn down because of a neighbor's fireworks. They never were able to find out exactly which neighbor was at fault. My biggest concern is with the fireworks that are borderline illegal. They shoot up high enough that drifting embers cover a much wider area than I feel is safe. I also have a neighbor that sets off large aerial fireworks on days that they are illegal (like 11pm on Christmas Eve!). I think when it comes to fireworks, it's better to be safe than sorry.
- i think limiting fireworks beyond 1300 east is a fair compromise
- I think it's ridiculous to allow fireworks AT ALL when we are in drought conditions. It's extremely annoying that for about 6-8 weeks (the time before July 4th and after Pioneer Day) that my kids get woken up because of 'red neck' fireworks. It's not safe and it's a public nuisance.
- I think it's irresponsible for people to use fireworks in such a dry climate. There are places where citizens can go to enjoy fireworks that are presented in controlled ways, by professionals. Everything else should be banned. Now that makes me sound like a cranky old lady!
- I think it would be ok to reduce the number of days they can be used. Reducing one day would make a difference.
- I think it was a SERIOUS mistake for the legislature to approve aerial fireworks for personal use. I believe that law should be overturned.
- I think if you are going to allow ANY type of fireworks in Sandy then you should increase enforcement.
 Illegal aerial fireworks go off constantly putting our home in fire danger. Who ever is setting them off will set them off for hours and yet we see no additional patrols, no fire marshal NOTHING to stop them. I think you should ban fireworks completely and stop the vendors from selling them in Sandy. If people want to watch fireworks then let them go to public fireworks put on by the city.



- I think having fountain fireworks are good. Ariel fireworks bad. I would like to go back to how it was 10 years ago
- I think fireworks under 5-10 feet should be allowed in some restricted areas. I have no need for aerials but would like to do small fountains and sparklers in the street with my kids.
- i think fireworks should be restricted to the experts at events and not allowed in neighborhoods
- I think fireworks should be restricted to only events. Too many of my neighbors just light them whenever they want all month. I am afraid to leave my house to go anywhere in July due to them lighting their fireworks.
- I think fire works should only be allowed two days, the eve of the holiday and the holiday.
- I think ariel fireworks should be banned to all citizens.
- I think anyone living near homes, trees and mountains should leave any arial fireworks to professionals.
- I think all of Sandy City should be fireworks restricted.
- I think aerial fireworks should be restricted. Small fountains would be acceptable.
- I think a good compromise would be to designate certain areas as "more restricted" i.e. no arial fireworks, and other areas as "less restricted", i.e. arial fireworks that only go so high. Also, better spread of awareness about firework restrictions would help as well.
- I support keeping Sandy City safe from fires caused by fireworks.
- I support firework restrictions. I've had personal property damaged by neighbors lighting fireworks from the street. I live close to a drainage gully in my backyard. Every year we are concerned with the fire risk associated with fireworks.
- I support firework restrictions if drought or fire risks are higher than normal, especially around dimple dell gully area and other areas close to mountains and fields.
- I support common sense boundary restrictions. But the more recent allowance of areal fireworks must not be taken away. The patriotic feelings that come with the bigger areal fireworks is so much better than the ground displays. I've been very grateful that laws changed to allow areal fireworks in our state.
- I support any and all additional restrictions on fireworks in Sandy.
- I strongly believe all fireworks should be restricted in residential areas. They should only allowed in public venues with appropriate oversight -on the actual holiday.
- I see no point in fireworks. They are a waste of money, noise, health and are public safety hazards. I especially HATE that I have to listen to them at all hours for too many days in July. I live just south of Oakdale Elementary School. The rule breakers go over to the south side of the school and set them off right behind my fence. It scares me and my pets. I am sure one time my house will be hit and start a fire. Ban the sales!
- I really wish that the city would enforce laws regarding the times that fireworks are allowed. Every year fireworks are going off until after 1:00am.
- I really think mayor Bradburn can figure out a way to make it so they only light them off when people want to. Hen everyone will be happy
- I really am concerned about using fireworks in a desert with so many people. I don't mind if there are fireworks on 4th of July and the 24th at a public event but why 3 days before and after for private use? We have such fire danger in July so why do we allow this? I live just outside the fireworks restriction area (just east of the Sandy library) and it makes me angry that we aren't in the restricted area even though near the gulley. C'mon Sandy City.let's encourage public events for fireworks and ban private use. This



would reinforce the awesome air quality ordinance that was just passed in Sandy about idling cars. Let's take a stand for "healthy Sandy"!

- I put ornamental grasses in my drive strip. the neighbor lit a fire work it flew across the street hit my other neighbors house back across the street right into my grasses. We also have a retention pond in the back yard that gets alot of dry weeds, which can be dangerous. Loud sudden sounds really frighten me.
- I occasionally hear gun fire during fireworks.
- I noticed that the survey didn't consider veterans suffering from PTSD. I am not a veteran, but I sympathize with the impact fireworks can have on them. My friend has to leave town every July 4 for several days to avoid the unwanted impacts of extensive firework use. Increasing the firework restricted areas would help alleviate some of his concerns.
- I marked the restrictions map box above just trying to enlarge it and then couldn't "deselect" it. I'm not sure I would have marked either one.
- I mainly worry about the smoke.
- I loved lighting and watching fireworks as a child and I have many positive family memories with fireworks.
 I want my children to have the same memories. This is asking a lot from government, If it's going to be a common sense approach then I could possibly agree with more restrictions in some areas. I think everyone can agree that no body wants charred mountains and a burnt down Dimple Dell. However myself and my community are not interested in government continually trying to gain more power and control every aspect of our lives. We are looking for less regulation less traffic citations and a free life. Respectfully, Sandy Resident
- I loved fireworks until moving to Utah, when people blow them off, it seems, the entire month of July. I have had debris land in my yard from the neighbors, and land on my roof. I hear them going off at all times of the night, and cannot sleep. I am a nurse and have to get up early for my shift but it is impossible to sleep due to inconsiderate neighbors. Not to mention, the air quality and the trauma it causes animals and people who have military experience or PTSD. Please, common sense doesn't seem to be in play, so maybe regulations will help.
- I love that you are asking for opinions and gauging citizens' knowledge!
- I love our beautiful Sandy Community and I feel that definitely more fireworks restrictions should be put in place we should not have any fireworks above 1300 East nor any fireworks along the Dimple Dell Park length to protect that natural area. And the firework laws should be better enforced. Thank you
- ILOVE fireworks. I wish they were more controlled. I also suspect i am in the minority. I appreciate this opportunity to share my thoughts. It is frustrating to me to see people disregard the laws for fireworks. :)
- I love fireworks, but it's crazy to set them off close to foothills and mountains, in the hottest part of summer. Firework for new years in limited time....much safer. Still hard on air, animals, but not huge fire danger.
- I love fireworks, but in a professional controlled environment. People are too careless and uninformed, and too many accidents and fires occur with fireworks every year. I think there should be more restrictions on fireworks.
- I love fireworks, but I also support reasonable restrictions.
- I love fireworks! That being said, COMMON SENSE, CIVILITY and SAFETY is paramount. I support restrictions on dates, time of day, and additional restrictions in dry, drought, windy conditions,



- I lived in sandy highland condos and my neighbors shoot off over 100 illegal fireworks during the month of July its stupid.
- I live on a bluff I worry ever yr about fires we don't leave home on the 4th.
- I live on 9180 South (mockingbird lane), in between the amphitheater and golf course. My whole street/ neighborhood is off limits, but we are not near either field nor above Walmart. Can't we at least have half of our street lifted from the ban?
- I live not far from Dimple Dell and over the last few years since some aerial fireworks became legal I personally haven't seen anyone lighting them in legal areas cause fires or other problems. I tend to feel that fires and other problems have mostly been caused by people lighting them off in illegal areas or in ways they are not intended to be used. Unfortunately, there are always going to be people that use fireworks in unsafe and illegal ways no matter which areas are restricted. It is those people who are mainly responsible for fires, etc. If you vastly increase the restricted area, I would hope that you would come up with a place where people could take their legal fireworks to light them--like a park, parking lot, etc.
- I live above quarry bend and while I can see why there is restrictions, I don't live near the field. I should be able to use non-aerial fireworks.
- I like our wooded area and would like it to stay that way.
- I know very little of where the majority of fires are during firework season. I love fireworks and setting them off with my kids but I'll support increased restrictions if it means less fires. I'll take a little extra restriction to protect our community and especially our firefighters.
- I know resources are tough to patrol everywhere when fireworks are going. But I hate them in my neighborhood. They go on too long and loud. So hard on my animals. And my friends son with ptsd. I would like to see them restricted to a public venue use only, in Sandy. So I have the choice to listen or watch. When Real has them, it's perfect because I can see them from my home but don't have to be close enough to hear them or have the mess on our streets.
- I know it was stated this wasn't about banning aerial fireworks, but aerial fireworks should be banned.
- I hope all aerial fireworks are banned for personal use.
- I highly support strong restrictions on fireworks! There are way too many irresponsible users of them and so many reasons why they should be banned except for very specific dates, as were stated above.
- I haven't seen any enforcement of the existing laws. Until the current laws are enforced the problems will continue and/or get worse.
- I have to medicate my two dogs for several weeks each summer and other holidays every year, including Chinese New Year. In what other way can a minority of morons legally disrupt and endanger every other citizen and domestic animal in the area?
- I have put out several small fires. There should be, no fireworks allowed, east of 1300
- I have HATED the poor restrictions on fireworks in Sandy in recent years. we have neighbors who routinely shoot off enormous noisy aerials night after night--well into the early hours, Our dog about goes insane, and I have to tranqulize her almost everyday of July. Calls to police about this are never followed up on. It's a joke.
- I have concerns with residential areas in Sandy that contain a lot of trees, shrubs, etc. I have asked in recent years to have restrictions anything above 1700 East all the way to the mountains. I was told for



residential a fire can be contained, so in other words, don't worry about it!! Well, if it was your home and it went up in flames, I think as a resident you would be pretty upset with the city for that kind of response.

- I hate to sound un-fun and like a jerk but they should be banned from personal use. Our air quality is terrible and it is inasane how bad my neighborhood gets with thick smoke from fireworks. We are from NY and it is fun to go to a public event and watch fireworks. They are illegal for personal use there and it works just fine.
- I hate the noise, air pollution and danger of fir3 works. They should be left to the professionals.
- I hate the noise late into the night.
- I HATE JULY in Utah. We have dogs. It's like living in a war zone. We hear them well past the cutoff time.
- I hate finding debri in my backyard, it scares my dogs to death when neighbors do them, and I have lived here for 3 years, and every year I have had to ask my neighbors to stop doing fireworks (and eventually call the cops) due to how late they are doing them (midnight or later on weeknights), and because of how large and out of control their fireworks are.
- I had burning ash land in my yard the last 3 years in a row. I have to stand out there with a hose and over water due to the disrespectful and complete ignorance of those around me.
- I had a fireworks related fire come within 30 feet of my home a few years ago. This was during a drought, and yet still Sandy was allowing fireworks. I enjoy them with my kids, but the fact that they're allowed during dry conditions, and they're allowed to be done so late and with such little police monitoring, is very frustrating. I would VERY much appreciate if they weren't allowed anywhere near the Highland grass area (S of where Highland dead ends into 9800 S), as that is where I live and it is VERY dry in the summer.
- I had a dog die during the 24 of July fireworks a couple of years ago. Yes, she was older but she didn't have to die terrified.
- I grew up in Maryland and you can't have fireworks or sparklers. We always went to watch public displays. One year we actually persuaded my Dad to light the emergency flare from the car kit! When I moved to this dry state and saw people lighting their own fireworks, I thought they were crazy, and I still do. Why are we endangering lives and property?
- I find the fact that people are allowed to shoot off fireworks for days prior and following the actual holiday to be ridiculous and very rude. It wakes small children, elderly and disturbs animals. I would love to see them only allowed the night of the holiday.
- I find that a lot of the time these are not enforced. My HOA does not permit fireworks in our neighborhood and people still use them
- I feel very strongly that fireworks should not be allowed in neighborhoods. There are many obstacles that
 make this practice unsafe. In addition, fireworks are set off way too late. Both my husband and I are in the
 medical field and we often do not have New Years Day off. Having fireworks go off until 1 am is ridiculous.
 Even with earplugs you can't sleep through the noise. Sandy City should have a firework display and that
 should be all.
- I feel they are safe when shooting them on the street in front of your own home or in large parking lots.
 Any open fields or vacant lots shouldn't be allowed. I wouldn't care if the aerials were limited to certain locations, but I think the other kind should be allowed on the street in our own neighborhood by our homes
- I feel the city needs to be very explicit about enforcing the fireworks laws, including vendors that sell illegal fire works and people in neighborhoods that purchase illegal fireworks. It seems if you fined them



and made them pay when you are called out or when a fire is caused from their fireworks, and publicized it, you might stop some of the abuse.

- I feel that the current restrictions are appropriate. The greater problem is the illegal use of fireworks. Dimple Dell has always been protected, yet we still had the fire. More patrols may be helpful, particularly now that we have The Dimple Dell Preservation Community. Perhaps a hotline for easy reporting of fireworks violations, particularly in vulnerable areas.
- I feel that people should enjoy fireworks and the problem is not the fire restricted areas but the way and time for when people are using fireworks. On dry years and in areas that make sense to restrict they should be but only for the higher risk areas. Otherwise I feel the problem lies more in enforcement and educating the public not necessarily by restricting more.
- I feel that fireworks should be restricted to only public events. With the risk of fire, fireworks should not be allowed anytime.
- I feel that all fireworks should be limited to one day before and one day after the holiday......3 days only....no fireworks before noon and no later than 10:30pm
- I feel that all aerial fireworks should be restricted East of 1300 E all the way north and south in the valley.
- I feel all fireworks should be contained for safety and fire prevention. I do not like having fireworks in my neighborhood or on the hill/park above my home. The only fireworks that should be allowed outside of a restricted area (city displays etc.) are sparklers and like things for little children and even then i do believe they are and can be quite dangerous.
- I enjoy the option of lighting fireworks as a Sandy resident. The entire month of July is a little too long for fireworks season. If the could go back to 3 days before and after the 4th abd 24th that could possibly cut down on fire related incidents...or maybe it would just compound the same problem into fewer days. Thank you Sandy City Fire!
- I enjoy living in Sandy. However, my family and I leave the area every year around July 4th. The excessive noise in our neighborhood is unbearable at that time. Please, please add more restrictions.
- I enjoy fireworks despite the fact that my daughter had a major injury. So while I do not purchase fireworks because of her fear of being hurt again. I am not anti-fireworks. What happened to my daughter is my fault but it can be learned from. I would never want to see or hear about this happening to anyone a child or an adult. It is the worse thing I have ever witnessed as a parent. I was hit by a drunk driver head on and I would go through that again, if I could take this back so that she would have sight back in her left

I. What I do propose are restrictions based on weather conditions, such as extreme temperatures over 90 degrees for 3 days or more. (It doesn't take much to get it going), lack of rain or water source to exterminate a fire. Fire works above 2000 South should be restricted to ground fireworks only and if you can't agree on that then nothing at all. I also believe that fireworks should be set between 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm from July 1 to July 5 then July 21 to July 24. After 11:00 pm. Nobody should be lighting fireworks in a neighborhood, in a parking lot on a street. It's over - Go to bed, turn on TV, make a midnight snack, take a shower and go to bed. It is over, move on, turn the page. Same time, next year. These are easy and simple suggestions. Nothing to hard to debate, if you want to keep your loved ones safe?. This is a no-brainer but I know someone will try to screw it up for selfish reasons or money.

- I enjoy fireworks and I enjoy lighting my own but also the rules apply for a reason and should be followed for the safety of everyone.
- I enjoy a firework show put on by the city. I wish purchasing fireworks would be prohibited.



- I don't look for the fireworks laws because I don't buy/use fireworks. I do love viewing the public fireworks display in Sandy, though.
- I don't like fireworks in my neighborhood because too many people light them off and send them zooming into my yard/house and it creates a fire damage; let alone the fact that they oftentimes don't clean up. I support a ban of fireworks state-wide to promote better air quality.
- I don't have a problem with the laws, but they are poorly enforced. There is no reason that someone should be shooting off aerial fireworks at 11:00 PM on a Tuesday in the middle of July. It happens EVERY NIGHT during the month of July. Sleep is impossible... the animals are scared... its just ridiculous. I'm all for having fun on the holiday, but there has to be some control. If you want to make up that \$50,000 mentioned above, start putting real fines in place and enforce the laws on the books.
- I do not think any kind of aerial fireworks should be allowed in residential neighborhoods. There is no way
 to determine responsibility when they start a fire, or cause other problems unless you are lucky enough to
 see the firework being launched. Furthermore, these are usually the loudest fireworks and are have the
 worst affects on people and pets who are sensitive to this kind of noise. We have to waste a lot of water
 making sure our home and yard are not vulnerable to ignition from these fireworks during the summer
 firework holidays and end up spending much time after holidays picking up debris from our yard and roof. I
 do not like the type of debris with potentially toxic materials and how it stains pavement. Ground based
 fireworks have many problems too, but at least it stays closer to where they are ignited.
- I do not support drawing the line at 1300 east, restricting so much ore than last year. I do favor restricting areas of horse properties in all areas of the city. I know about Bell Canyon Acres, Susan Drive, and some areas close to TRAX. I suggest using the property zoning guide the selection; anything R-1-20A and larger could have horses. I would like a 1 street buffer around those properties also, but that means the neighbors pay for their choice to be next to horse property, so that is unfair..
- I do not set off my own fireworks, but understand that some people want to. I would like to see the number of days they can be set off greatly reduced and additional education information about hazards (burns, noise, fire risk, air quality, etc.) be provided to residents.
- I do not like the pollution caused by fireworks. It greatly effects my lungs as I am batteling with COPD. I also have Leukemia and that has additional hurtles to fight. Lots of houses all around me shoot off VERY loud fireworks most of the night on holidays. Forget trying to sleep. Get up the next A.M. and clean up the trash in your yard. With the horrible air we have, fireworks should a lot more restricted as to areas they can be done.
- I do not like fireworks anymore. They terrify my animals and too many have been started in Dimple Dell.
- I do not believe that thay should be set off on any days other than those being celebrated. My neighborhood is terrible and I find them all over my house and yard after being aet off. My dog is traumatized for several days
- I dislike when people use fireworks outside the designated dates well.
- I definitely think that the new Little Cottonwood Apartments on 98th and Highland should be a restricted area given the number of people that will be living there and the dry grass and brush across the street, where Highland dead ends. Also the newer housing area on the northeast corner is a place where there are a lot of illegal fireworks being used and at times when they are not allowed. I think there should be laws regulating how large and how loud they can be. The area where I live sounds like a war zone on the holidays and people always start earlier than they are allowed and shot them off into the early hours of



the morning. I don't think older or sick people should have to deal with this. We can't even sit on our deck and enjoy eating, because the smoke is so thick and pungent. In my opinion it would be safer and fairer to do away with personal fireworks all together. There are plenty of public displays that are run by people who know what they are doing. There should be no fireworks except on the holiday. I'm sure there is a lot of money for Sandy City involved, but I think I would be willing to pay an extra city tax to be rid of the fireworks stands and all the noise, air pollution. There has to be other ways for the City to make money, because everyone knows that's what it's all about. The new Mayor run with promises to put limitations on this annoying and dangerous pass time, so lets see what happens. I think that the citizens of Sandy should be clearly notified as to when this issue is coming up before the city counsel.

- I can't tell from either map the exact location of the restrictions? Are these proposed or actual?
- I believe the day that fireworks are allowed should also be limited! Aerial fireworks should be banned in residential areas. The average person doesn't know how to light them safely! I am waiting for the trees around my house to catch fire. It's a problem!
- I believe Sandy city should set the example moving forward in a ban on fireworks within the city limits to help 1) protect wild Utah 2) help make a large impact on our air quality 3) reduce the risk of not only fires and damage to everyone but also the safty of the residents as well and business owners. 4) AS a resident of Utah I for one am on board with helping make our state a better place. Drive less, be idle free, recycle, go green as much as possible, slow the flow of H20 and do many other positive things which will help everyone. Not having fireworks should also be on that list as well, and I hope to see it added.
- I believe home owners should get together in one safe area within several blocks and display their fireworksf cohesively and safely without the chaos of fireworks going off all over with debris being a big issue and more effort for firefighters
- I believe all fireworks are not necessarily needed in neighborhoods; fun, yes; but not necessary. There are plenty of public fireworks displays in the valley.
- I believe all aerial fireworks should be banned in Sandy except for Sandy sponsered events.
- I appreciate the opportunity to render an opinion. I was once a young fireworks enthusiast, but the dangers and environmental impacts are too great to let it go unrestricted. Keep up the good work. Please make it mandatory for a flyer clarifying fireworks restrictions be given to customers at point of purchase for every firework sale in Sandy. (If not already in practice)
- I appreciate fireworks in public areas and would agree that some fireworks should be allowed for people to have fun! Let the kids have little fireworks and sparklers! But aerial fireworks worry me especially when drunk and disorderly people are setting them off in out of control areas.
- I am tired of being kept awake into the night and for several days at a time with unlawful fireworks. PLEASE ENFORCE THE ORDINANCES!
- I am not opposed to more areas being restricted if it is to protect the city and property owners. Is the problem because we need additional areas restricted or the areas already names need to be enforced? Maybe there needs to be more information about restricted areas brought to the citizens attention. To be honest I haven't payed much attention, but do enjoy summer and fireworks fun while wanting everyone (and their property) to be safe.
- I am mostly interested in fire prevention.. Fireworks ask for trouble.
- I am more concerned that the current laws be enforced as far as legal dates they can be used and the



hours they are legal. I always have neighbors using fireworks till 11:00 PM or 12:00 AM when people need to work the next day.

- I am astonished at the hubris of people using fireworks late at night and in partially wooded areas. They somehow believe they can trust fireworks to operate properly, built in Chinese factories by low wage workers. They are willing to bet my property on it. I had a fireworks related fire in the property behind mine, in February, a few years ago. The firemen who responded said it could have come from as far as two miles away. I am in favor of more restrictions as I don't believe fireworks are safe east of 13th East.
- I am a veteran and the 4th of July is the greatest holiday on this planet and we should be allowed to celebrate the establishment of the greatest nation on this planet with aerial fireworks. I believe people have learned a lot about the safe use of fireworks, especially considering the fire dept. has only been to 62 incidents in just 2 years.
- I almost wonder why there are restrictive measures when it is nearly impossible to catch offenders, especially those who set off fireworks before and after restricted times/days. It would be nice to have a time of day restriction (nothing after midnight, or something similar) to help those who have to work in the morning.
- I agree there should not be fireworks in areas that are close to the mountains. We are very responsible with our fireworks, we live in a circle and our whole circle and others in the neighborhood participate with our fireworks, we only buy those that are legal and we buy from the firework stands in Sandy, We have never had a problem and we have the right to enjoy fireworks as long as we are responsible we clean up our circle after we even sweep the circle and we only do the fireworks on the days that are allowed. I realize there are some people that are stupid with their decisions but we should have our right taken away because of those people or some grumpy people that don't like anything.
- I absolutely think busier streets and even residential streets should be restricted for fireworks as the debris and traffic on the streets is absolutely a mess on firework nights.
- How much of the 50,000 spent in fire related incidents was related to 4th of July and how much of it was related to stupidity? No amount of laws or restrictions will change stupidity.
- How do you plan on enforcing this? I am asking because it seems that my neighbors all around me shoot off fireworks any day in July and all hours of the night. Sometimes till 2-3 am.
- Help save us it's out of control!!
- Hand out photo examples how fireworks melts the paved streets in housing areas. Put in local
 newspapers and Sandy News official phone numbers to report people who abuse safety rules. Especially
 what hour the noise should stop. Indicate how small babies can't sleep; dogs bark and people need sleep
 time for early morning jobs. I appreciate neighbors who spend a lot of money just to entertain us local
 neighbors for awhile. Makes us feel connected as a community.
- Great to have pro shows. I don't trust the drunk redneck down the road to light off explosives
- Fireworks that are currently legal should remain legal. Residential areas with minimal grass areas that are minimally maintained should remain legal areas.
- Fireworks terrify pets. Let's just have fireworks at public shows or events.
- fireworks start fires which we should avoid.
- Fireworks should only be allowed on the holiday and not any days before or after!
- Fireworks should only be allowed in public events. No person should be allowed to use fireworks in private properties. It has noise, smoke and debris.



- Fireworks should only be allowed at public events and not at private houses. People do not follow the rules, leave messes, and are disrespectful of other residents.
- Fireworks should be restricted to one day before, day of, and one day after July 4th, July 24th, and January 1st.
- Fireworks should be restricted as far as how many days they can be done. The day before the holiday and the day of are plenty.
- Fireworks should be restricted and unlawful state wide. Only allow for approved City Events. They are very dangerous and fire hazard is high.
- Fireworks should be allowed only on the day the holiday is celebrated. They are unnecessary any other time.
- Fireworks in the desert are a terrible idea! WHY are Utah residents allowed to light fireworks 8 days a year during the driest, hottest month? One night of inconsiderate neighbors keeping us awake is plenty, it doesn't need to happen before AND after each holiday. Creating fire hazards in our own city is unpatriotic at best.
- Fireworks have their drawbacks, but I think they are still worth it in general. I can understand restrictions in rural areas with a lot of dry fields, or places with a lot of livestock. I also agree that on particularly dry years restrictions should increase. I also support the restrictions on times of year. I don't think we should be able to do them all of the time. If we were allowed to light them any time I would want more restrictions on where we could light them.
- Fireworks are the worst. During the entire month of July it's like a war zone in my neighborhood. I'd love to see the city restrict fireworks throughout the city and do away with the late night headaches.
- Fireworks are hazardous. They should be outlawed entirely. They pollute the air which we can ill afford. They start fires, blow off peoples' fingers, scare animals and are noisy. There is no reason for them to be a part of our community. I fully support a complete ban on all fireworks, statewide.
- Fireworks are fine for the few days around holidays, but it seems like "fireworks season" is mid-June through mid-August in Utah. Need more enforcement of fireworks permitted days more than anything.
- Fireworks are an American Tradition. No matter how many restrictions you try to place on citizens, there will always be people who do stupid things. Fireworks should be allowed two days before and after the 4th and 24th of July, and New Years Eve and New Years Day. I could not make a good selection on the maps you showed because they are two small. I the best choice would be some where between the two. This was not a good question based on two small maps. I would like to see a detailed analysis of the 62 incidents and \$50,000 costs.
- Fireworks are a waste of time, energy, and resources. The trivial amount of enjoyment that they bring is not worth the annoyance of having people shoot them off. I would support a bill allowing fireworks to be shot the day of the Fourth of July only
- Fireworks are a special concern to senior citizens because of the noise and the fear of being injured by flying particles. The bad air is also a real problem to older people
- Fireworks are a big part of sone of our most patriotic holidays. Yes, fireworks are beautiful and thrilling, but I think its time that we seriously consider reinstating a consumer ban on fireworks in Utah. Fireworks are UNPATRIOTIC because: 1. Consumer use of fireworks causes injury and sometimes even death. Children are most likely to injured. http://www.standard.net/Health/2014/07/03/firework-safety2. 2.7-20% of combat veterans who served in Iraq or Afghanistan suffer from PTSD. Fireworks can trigger painful and



sometimes unbearable memories for our veterans. 3. Pets are often scared by fireworks and may run away or cause damage. 4. Fires - numerous grass fires have been set off by fireworks already this July in Utah. The dry conditions and temperatures in the 100s make parched Utah ground very susceptible to fire. 5. Air quality - Air quality in Utah is generally horrible in July even without fireworks. Particulates and pollutants spike during heavy firework use. 6. Consumer firework use in Utah is allowed before Independence Day and continues through Pioneer Day 7/24. The above problems are not isolated to one or two days - it's the entire month of July. 7. Yes, fireworks do bring additional revenue to Utah, but what about the consequences and the economic effects of injuries, hospitalizations, fires and air quality?

- Fireworks are a big nuisance to people. They should be restricted to the 4th and 24th period! People need to be fined heavily for using illegal fireworks or breaking the hours restriction. If not they will never change.
- Firework use in my neighborhood begins, on average, about 2-3 weeks before the 4th, and 2-3 weeks after the 24th... Always into the midnight hour or later. Very frustrating.
- Fire works at public events are fine. They should be banned on neighborhoods. Especially on days before and days after holidays. Very concerned about the air pollution and fire risk associated with them.
- fire work restrictions should decrease and people should be more responsible. the height that fire works go should not matter. it only gives the police an excuse to give out fines like speeding tickets.
- Fire is my biggest concern about fireworks. I am a firm believer in restricted areas and even larger restricted areas if not a total ban in periods of drought. Personal injury and personal property injury are also a concern that was not addressed in the survey. Too many people set off fireworks with little or no regard (or knowledge) about safety. Injuries can range from lost fingers and eyes to death. Windows have been broken with a misdirected firework. I do not shoot off fireworks, but I enjoy them. I feel better if trained personnel are in charge.
- Fine those that abuse the law. Assess a "fireworks" tax at the time of purchase to cover the cost of these problems. If the cost is too high, it will take care of the problem when no one uses them. Keep the people using them responsible for the increased costs.
- Find better ways to enforce the restrictions. Too many people think they just want get caught.
- Everyone in my neighbor enjoys fireworks! We are careful and help each other when a problem arises. We have never had to call the fire department for help!! Hopefully we never do!
- Even if restriction areas stay the same, I believe that there should be fewer days allowed in which individuals can use fireworks. I think as of now there are too many days for residents to use fireworks, contributing to poor air quality and fire risk. Also, too many residents do not adhere to the allowed days for fireworks use. There are several residents that use them outside of the allowed days, and that needs to be more strictly enforced. Thank you for you care on these issues.
- Even if fireworks remain legal, I would like to see Sandy Police or Fire aggressively crack down on those who violate date restrictions and especially time restrictions. I am a military veteran who can readily accept fireworks when I know they will occur, but when they occur at unexpected times (say, at midnight), the sound of "bombs bursting in air" activates my years of training and my survival reflex kicks in. It is really unnerving to my family to see me roll out of bed and drop for cover, then start grabbing weapons to search and destroy Taliban before I am fully awake and realize I'm not in some foreign shithole.
- Estimated loss by firefighter that exaggerate like johanas kitchen explosion sent debris over a mile
- Enforcing current law(s) always better than adding new ones. Make those people breaking laws pay more heavily for the violations.



- Enforcement of vastly expanded areas is likely to be ineffectual or costly in its own right.
- Enforcement of firework noise curfew would be appreciated. Nothing like a midnight firework show when you have young children.
- Enforcement of days and times fireworks are allowed should be strongly enforced. It seems the whole month of July has fireworks happening until late into the night.
- Enforce the laws currently on the book. Idiots let fireworks of in Dimple Dell, and that's already not allowed, expanding the not allowed areas doesn't do any good, and serves no purpose. Enforce the restricted areas already stated.
- Enforce existing time frame & location rules for fireworks.
- eliminate them; Sandy police do not enforce, anyway...late at night
- Educate people about how to use fireworks safely and in areas that wont cause more issues like Dimple Dell. If people want the liberty to discharge fireworks, that should be granted to them. However, they need to be reminded that with liberty comes accountability. I'd be in favor of less restricted areas, but the areas that are restricted (like Dimple Dell), have higher penalties for those who break those rules.
- dont make utah like california, keep our traditions.
- Dimple Dell park needs more protection from fireworks
- Dates and times are the bigger issue. Especially for those of us with young children.
- DAngerous and not worth the risk to our fire prone city.
- Concerning the costs of controlling fires caused by fireworks. I understand the firemen are paid to be on call or to actually be in action. Are firemen paid extra to actually leave the station on a fire call? What extra cost can occur when a fire is controlled? There is some Diesel fuel used and some water but the trucks and men involved cost the same whether in action or idle or so I think. I personally don't set off fireworks but I think controlling their use certainly is warranted.
- Concerned with commercial type fireworks as well being launched from back yards.
- Citizens ought to be responsible for their actions and aware of their environment. We do not need a law to tell us whether or not fireworks are safe. If someone cannot determine if fireworks are safe, then they should not use fireworks. If someone causes a fire because of their negligence or intentional disregard for their environment, they should be held accountable. Uneducated citizens will not be aware of regulations anyway, and it is more respectable to educate one-another than to expect legal regulations to change human behavior.
- Can you please make them end sooner not so late into the night. My kids are terrified of the noise and it keeps them up.
- can Sandy use an app so public can take photo with date/time stamp and geolocation for fining violators?
- By making aerials legal, the state has caused significant impacts for local municipalities. The state collects significant tax revenue from fireworks. The state should be required to reimburse municipalities for fireworks related expenses and extra patrols needed for enforcement.
- behide my house, we have a big lote, always dry, and I am scared, one day get a fire.
- Ban them outright. We are tired of the noise and the irresponsible use of fireworks. Most people do not adhere to the time frame of when fireworks are they allowed. People will be firing fireworks off well into the night, and most of us have to get up to go to work in the morning. Not to mention dangerous, to property and to those around the fireworks when they are fired off.



- Ban them all.
- Ban them all except in professional licensed shows.
- Ban all private fire works in residential areas, Public fire works displays are ok. If we must have residential fire works, restrict them to July 4 and 24 from 12 noon to 10 pm.
- Ban all aerial and loud fireworks
- At 79 years if age I do not have much interest in fire works any more and am mostly irritated by them. I built in Sandy 55 years ago and have enjoins living here and am a good neighbor to all my neighbors. Thank you for your interest in my opinion !
- As much as I enjoy the fireworks, I would recommend that restrictions be based on what is safe and reasonable for people and property.
- As many fire restricted areas as possible would be greatly appreciated.
- As a professional meteorologist / hydrologist with an acute understanding of "fire weather" I think fireworks in this environment is ludicrous. There are enough challenges with air quality as our population in this area continues to grow. Local drainage winds at night due to our mountain valley environment are enough to rapidly spread a fire even in general calm conditions. We are fortunate we have not had a major fire from something we can control like fireworks. I've enjoyed fireworks in the past like others but too many are out there, they go too late, and too many people ignore current regulations. It starts to become a quality of life issue during the summer months here. I'm in an area next to a hillside and where many old pine trees are established. It wouldn't take much to take out an entire neighborhood. Even though restrictions exist they are frequently ignored by many. Better communication of even existing restrictions and the consequences would be a start. I applaud Sandy City for at least doing a survey like this and hope we are proactive in preventing firework damage and improving air quality.
- Arial fireworks land around my house. I am afraid that my neighbors will catch my home on fire. Three or four years ago one of my neighbors caught my lawn on fire launching fireworks on the street. Two Julys ago, my fence was caught on fire by fireworks that were thought to have been extinguished. Fire is a real possibility. Please restrict where fireworks can be launched. Please make protecting property and life a priority.
- Anything we can do to assist the dangers of fire and injuries and assist fire and police personel
- Any areas that have construction going on should be restricted until that construction is completed.
- Annoyed when after 11pm. That's about all I'd suggest for non restricted areas. Also charge home owners or their home insurance liability for any cost to city. We shouldn't all be paying for individuals who have the issue. Keep city fireworks alive. Lived here in sandy most of life and love that tradition.
- Although Sandy City has no control over the allowable time for use of fireworks, I feel the state allows too many days for fireworks. Our state is so dry and our cities so congested. More limits in all areas only makes sense for the safety of all.
- Allow ground fireworks, or those that don't spray about 10 fee, on all Sandy City streets on July 4 and 24th, even those east of 2800 East
- All private use if fireworks should be banned. They are dangerous and Sandy City and many other areas provide fireworks shows. The dangers far outway people having access to fireworks.
- ALL fireworks should be outlawed unless organized by the city. ALL fireworks should be controlled by city police/firemen.
- All fireworks should be banned.



- All fireworks should be banned except for city fireworks that are strictly controlled and last about an hour.
 I moved from another state and I have never seen so many idiots continually shooting off illegal fireworks.
 If these morons cause properly damage they should be kept in jail until all the damage is paid. If they have no money they rot in jail.
- All aerial fireworks should be restricted
- After hours patrols to stop after hours fireworks would be appreciated.
- Aerial fireworks should be banned in neighborhoods. They are dangerous. I find debris from them in my back yard, on my roof and my neighbors have started my bush in fire with an aerial when it malfunctioned.
- Aerial fireworks are incredibly dangerous and the average citizen should not be allowed to use them. There's an incredible amount of risk involved when shooting explosives into the air and most people don't appreciate that fact. I also have PTSD from serving in Iraq, and listening to those explosions all throughout July is hell.
- 2 days per year only. Go crazy for two days and prosecute anything out side of those two days. I will plan a vacation to another state with stricter regulations and be back on the 25th.'
- 1. I am the daughter of a fireman. I have been terrifed of fire my entire life -- 64 years and counting a week after the 4th of July.
 2. We have a shake roof. See comment #1.
 3. We have CRAZY neighbors who shoot their fireworks up in the air, across the street, etc. Maybe not intentionally, but I have witnessed fireworks shooting across the street and hitting a house.
 4. Children should be in bed NOT kept awake by obnoxious neighbors who make noise.
 5. Our air is already polluted. The smoke is awful -- think about people with respiratory ailments.
 6. FIREWORKS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO PROFESSIONALS IN WIDE OPEN AREAS WITH NO HOUSES OR BUSINESSES.
 7. We live in a dry, desert climate -- there is NO reason for the general (stupid) population to have fireworks in their (untrained) hands.
 8. Many, if not most, animals are terrified of the noise. If we love our children and our animals, YOU will ban fireworks (along with guns).
 9. The mess in the streets and on the lawns -- twice in one month. Stupid Utah. Once is more than enough, but twice?
- \$50,000 in firework incident costs? That would be too much. That figure probably does not include the damage done to property, the dogs that cower in fear or run away, the loss in sleep caused by people setting them off after quiet hour (10PM), the medical bills and harm done to hearing/limbs etc. Let's let the professionals do it-licensed pyrotechnicians have so many rules and regulations that suburbanites never dreamed of considering with their home displays. My sister headed the firework displays at Seaworld in California-she had to have a hazmat license in addition to pyrotechnical licenses. It is a form of rocket science!
- We love fireworks! Please don't restrict their usage in Sandy.
- We don't need the fireworks. There are plenty of other ways to be patriotic that don't involve harming our environment or our service members.
- Please do more to create restrictions especially when we often have terrible air quality and drought. Also
 the time period when they are legal is WAY too long. I don't mind being kept up at night on July 4th and
 24th, but there is no reason for it to go on for weeks. I can't be the only person who needs to get up
 early and is disturbed for half (or most of) the month of July and doesn't appreciate being kept up late or
 woken up at 2am by people who can't follow the laws even when they are very permissive.



- I do support using open parking lots instead of personal property in some areas if restrictions were needed. I think parking lots would be safer and easier to clean up.
- Currently areas east of 2700 East are restricted. And yet the Sandy City property between 2600 East and 2700 East and between Mt. Jordan Road and 9800 South (which is minimally maintained and full of dry grass and dead trees) is unrestricted and is a huge threat from aerial fireworks that might drift into it. More consideration should be undertaken for individual areas that might not fall within the current guidelines but present a considerable risk to surrounding properties.
- I live on Hickory Valley Drive no. of Wasatch at about 1850 E. It is a restricted area near Brandon
 Park. Yet in July and New Years there are fireworks going on all over in neighborhoods on both sides
 of Brandon Park. I have never seen any patrols or any type of enforcement. We have to stay home on
 these two holidays to calm our pets and protect our property in case of fire. I would like to see some law
 enforcement patrols and citations given. Otherwise, all the entitled people just become less restricted
 on the aerials they set off. One night, one will land in the gully or field of Brandon Park and a large fire will
 result, that could spread all the way up to the mountain.

