



# MEDIA RELEASE

FOUNTAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT

## STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS LIFTED

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Effective Tuesday, June 28, 2022, Stage One Fire Restrictions will be lifted for the City of Fountain.

We will continue to monitor weather and fire danger conditions throughout the next few weeks and we may enact restrictions as needed in the weeks to come. The City of Fountain has received a good amount of moisture in the last week and more to come late this week. We have been fortunate compared to our neighbors in the county, who have not received as much. Please understand with the lift of restrictions, the sale and use of fireworks is permitted. Any fireworks that leave the ground are still illegal and there are no sales of that kind within the State.

Illegal within the City of Fountain:

- Open burning activities without a permit: fires used for ditch clearing, range/wildlife management, disease or pest prevention and/or control, and wildfire risk reduction.
- Recreational fireworks: Possession, use, and/or the sale of illegal fireworks is illegal.

Allowed within the City of Fountain:

- Recreational fires: outdoor fire where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, or BBQ grill and has a total fuel area of 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height. They shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material.
- Fireplaces and Fire Appliances: a fire contained within a portable or fixed outdoor fireplace or fire appliance shall be fueled by wood, pellets, charcoal and/or liquid propane gas (LPG), natural gas or liquid gas. They must maintain a minimum distance of 15 feet between a neighboring structure and combustible material.
- Permissible fireworks: sparklers, fountains, poppers, and anything that is purchased within the retail sites within the State of Colorado.

The Fountain Fire Department urges all citizens of Fountain to continue to use caution when using any open fire and or flame producing devices. Remember to always keep a safe area and make sure to keep fire suppression items available. Please report any suspected violations of the order by calling 719-390-5555.

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