

**CHAPTER 54A  
FIREWORKS ORDINANCE**

**54A.01 Definitions**

Words and phrases used in this Chapter 54A shall have the meaning ascribed to them by 2011 PA 256, as amended, being MCL 28.451, *et seq.*, including the following:

- A. “APA standard 87-1” means 2001 APA standard 87-1, standard for construction and approval for transportation of fireworks, novelties, and theatrical pyrotechnics, published by the American pyrotechnics association of Bethesda, Maryland
- B. “Consumer fireworks” means fireworks devices that are designed to produce visible effects by combustion, that are required to comply with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations promulgated by the United States consumer product safety commission under 16 CFR parts 1500 and 1507, and that are listed in APA standard 87-1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, or 3.5. Consumer fireworks does not include low-impact fireworks.
- C. “Low –impact fireworks” means ground and handheld sparkling devices as that phrase is defined under APA standard 87-1, 3.1, 3.1.1.1 to 3.1.1.8, and 3.5.

**54A.02 Use of Consumer Fireworks and Luminaries Prohibited**

- A. No person shall at any time ignite, discharge or use consumer fireworks within the Charter Township of Filer except during the following periods, all of which start at 11:00 a.m.:
  - 1. December 31 until 1 a.m. on January 1.
  - 2. The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Memorial Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
  - 3. June 29 to July 4, until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
  - 4. July 5, if that date is a Friday or Saturday, until 11:45 p.m.
  - 5. The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
- B. No person shall, at any time, use or launch in the Township an unmanned flying device, commonly known as a “sky lantern”, “luminary” or “flying lantern” by which a flame or other open heat source heats air within a balloon or similar envelope to achieve flight, provided, however, that if any such devices are hereafter classified as consumer fireworks within the meaning of Act 256 of the Public Acts of 2011, they shall be subject to the same restrictions applicable to other consumer fireworks.

**54A.03 Violation**

Any person violating the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a civil infraction and shall pay a civil fine of not more than \$1000 for each violation but no other penalty shall be imposed.