

**ORDINANCE NO. 440**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE SALE AND DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS OF CARTHAGE, TENNESSEE**

**WHEREAS**, it is desired by the Town of Carthage to allow the sale and discharge of fireworks within town limits.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** that the Town of Carthage Board of Mayor and Aldermen/woman establish the following:

**SECTION 1.** The regulations for the sale of fireworks within Carthage town limits are as follows:

1. Any vendor wishing to sell fireworks within Carthage Town limits must first acquire a permit from the Town Recorder. Said permit fee will be three hundred fifty dollars and will remain active for a period of one year.
2. Sales for fireworks within Carthage Town limits shall commence no earlier than two weeks prior to event date.
3. Sales for fireworks within Carthage Town limits shall be for only two holidays per year: Independence Day and New Year’s Eve; unless otherwise directed by the Mayor.

**SECTION 2.** The regulations for discharge of fireworks within Carthage Town limits are as follows:

1. If above mentioned holiday falls on a Friday or Saturday, the discharge of fireworks will be allowed from dusk until 11:00 p.m. throughout the weekend.
2. If above mentioned holiday falls on a Sunday through Thursday, the discharge of fireworks will be allowed from dusk until 10:00 p.m.
3. Discharge of fireworks shall only be for two holidays per year: Independence Day and New Year’s Eve; unless otherwise directed by the Mayor.

**SECITON 3.** Penalties for non-compliance are set forth as follows:

1. Any person or persons found to be in violation of the regulations set forth above shall be subject to the following:

Officer discretion will be used to determine whether or not to issue a warning or cite the individual into City Court.

If individuals are found to be in violation of this Ordinance, the fireworks possessed by said individual may be confiscated to prevent further violations.

**SECTION 4..** This ordinance shall become effective upon third and final reading.

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Passed 2 <sup>nd</sup> reading	<u>9.8.16</u>
Passed 3 <sup>rd</sup> reading	<u>10.6.16</u>
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Donnie R. Dennis  
Mayor

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City Recorder

