Are you a member of Farmington’s “FIREWISE” Community?

**Program Benefits**

Every community benefits in different ways from being recognized as a Firewise Communities/USA site. Reports of these benefits have reached NFPA’s Firewise Program through the years and are summarized in our Top Seven Benefits to Becoming Firewise:

1. **Framework for Action**
   Meeting the criteria for becoming a Firewise Communities/USA site helps communities get organized and find direction for their wildfire safety efforts. Like the first rungs on a ladder, the criteria help get a community started toward annual, systematic action to reduce their risks from brush, grass and forest fires.

2. **Learning About Wildfire**
   As people go through the Firewise process, they learn about wildfire risks in the community and the simple things they can do to reduce them. They connect with experts – local fire fighters, state forestry professionals, and national researchers – to continue to learn about fire and find resources to accomplish Firewise actions.

3. **Peace of Mind**
   People who work with experts to learn about wildfire and take action start to see results quickly. Knowing that they are using the best information available and actually taking steps to reduce the risk of damage from fire helps people start to feel safer in their environment and in their homes. Having a plan for what to do in the event of a fire helps people become calmer and more prepared to act quickly.

4. **Community-Building**
   As neighbors get together to do Firewise work, often meeting one another for the first time, they build a stronger bond with each other. Firewise activity can help rally people to a common cause for the good of the neighborhood. This strengthening of community ties can benefit residents in many ways, and is especially helpful during an emergency.

5. **Citizen Pride**
   While Firewise work can be fun, it isn’t always easy. Neighbors work very hard in Firewise communities to remove brush and debris, clean up common areas, and dispose of green waste. They are rightly proud when they achieve national recognition for their efforts.

6. **Publicity**
   The national Firewise program provides communities with metal signs, a plaque and other materials that can be presented publicly to honor their status as a Firewise Communities/USA recognition site. These recognition ceremonies are great ways to shine the spotlight on community efforts. News media find this to be a great story to cover, and the national program features community stories regularly on the website and in its publications. All this publicity results not only in satisfaction for the residents involved, but also provides one more way to reach large numbers of people with information about wildfire safety.

7. **Access to Funding and Assistance**
   Preference is sometimes given to Firewise Communities/USA sites over other candidates when allocations of grant money are made for wildfire safety or fuel mitigation. The reason is that there are invariably more requests than available funds when grants are available through state or federal agencies. If requests are equally worthy, some officials tend to have more confidence in communities that have demonstrated the foresight of becoming a recognized Firewise Communities/USA site.

For more information regarding Firework Regulations, Fireworks Safety & Firewise Communities, please contact your local Fire Marshal James Weston at:

**Phone:** (801) 451-2842  
**Email:** jweston@farmington.utah.gov  
**Fire Wise:** [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org)

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Fireworks Restrictions & Safety Guide

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FIREWORKS SAFETY

Fireworks can be an exciting way to celebrate. Fireworks need to be treated with respect and care. Consider attending a professional fireworks display in place of lighting personal fireworks.

In Utah, some fireworks are illegal. Generally, if they are sold in Utah, they are legal to use in Utah. If you could not purchase the firework in Utah, it is not legal to light that firework in Utah at any time.

Here are a few safety tips from the National Council on Fireworks Safety:

- Use fireworks outdoors only.
- Obey local laws. If fireworks are not legal where you live, do not use them!
- Always have water handy (a hose or buckets of water).
- Only use fireworks as intended. DO NOT try to alter them or combine them.
- Never re-light a "dud" firework (wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water).
- Use common sense when using fireworks.
- Spectators should keep a safe distance from the fireworks. The person lighting the fireworks should wear safety glasses.
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix! Have a "designated" person light fireworks.
- Only persons over age 12 should be allowed to handle sparklers of any type.
- NEVER use homemade fireworks or illegal explosives; they can kill you! Report illegal explosives to the fire or police department in your community.

Please help keep our city safe by adhering to the following fireworks restrictions in effect this summer.

Due to dry, hazardous fire conditions, please observe the following local fireworks restrictions:

It shall be unlawful to discharge fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices in the following areas as identified in on this map.

All areas of Farmington City within 20 feet of combustible weeds, grasses, trees, shrubs, fences or structures.

Farmington City parks unless specifically designated for use of consumer fireworks.

Use of consumer fireworks shall comply with the following laws, ordinances or rules:

All fireworks shall be on the approved list adopted by the Utah State Fire Marshall. www.firemarshal.utah.gov

Approved fireworks may be discharged:

July 2 through July 5*
July 22 through July 25*
*11am -11pm (Exception: Midnight July 4 and July 24)
December 31

11:00 am—1:00 am (January 1)

- Restrictions will be enforced -
- Violators are subject to maximum fines under the law -

NO FIREWORKS EAST OF THE RED LINE

Farmington Parks with Fireworks Restrictions:

Farmington Pond
Point of View
Woodland