Safety Tips for Independence Day in Seaside

Seaside, Ore. – June 30, 2020 – The City of Seaside encourages everyone to enjoy this unique Independence Day holiday safely. While our annual July 4th festivities and fireworks are cancelled due to COVID-19 precautions, Seaside is in Phase 2 of Oregon’s reopening framework. To ensure locals and visitors have a good experience, here are six tips to keep in mind.

TIP 1: Bring Masks and Social Distance. Stay at least six feet from those outside your party and wear a mask when downtown, when visiting indoor spaces open to the public or in close proximity to others. Masks have been shown to reduce risk of contagion for yourself and others. If you’re sick, please stay home.

TIP 2: Use Only Legal Oregon Fireworks. Illegal fireworks explode, behave in an uncontrollable and unpredictable manner, eject balls of fire, or travel more than six feet on the ground or one foot into the air.

TIP 3: Share The Beach. and keep your area safe for everyone. No tents on the beach, avoid digging large fire pits (nothing larger than three feet in length, width or depth), and pallets are not allowed in any circumstance as they litter the sand with hidden nails and other sharp metal objects. Please keep fires at least 50 feet from the beach grass and do not start fires in drift wood.

TIP 4: Stash Your Trash. Use the public garbage receptacles posted at entry points to the beach along the Promenade.

TIP 5: Come Prepared. Seaside restaurants are a great option for meals during your visit – dine-in options are limited, take-out is plentiful – but consider bringing all groceries with you to lessen the burden on our local supply chains, which residents depend on.

TIP 6: Be Responsible. Police, fire, and city officials work around the clock to keep services in town running as smooth as possible with the large numbers of holiday visitors. If you need assistance with a non-emergency or want to report something, don’t hesitate to contact authorities at (503) 738-6311. If you see something, please say something.

On behalf of Seaside’s City Council and public safety officials, Seaside thanks you for spending Independence Day with us.

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