



the following is a message from the
city of newport beach

Fourth of July in Newport Beach

Independence Day Parade & Celebration

The City of Newport Beach and the Mariners Elementary School Foundation will host the 37th annual Independence Day Parade and Celebration on Saturday, July 4 at Mariners Park, 1300 Irvine Ave., Newport Beach. The parade will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the celebration will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This year's festivities include free entertainment, face painting, arts & crafts and there will be food and wristbands to participate in games and attractions available for purchase. The attractions will include a rock climbing wall, bungee run, 28' slide, obstacle course, carnival row, a toddler area and much more. Wristbands cost \$15 or \$10 for children under the age of 5 and can be purchased in advance or at the event. To pre-purchase wristbands, please visit www.marinersfoundation.com by June 30. For more information about the Independence Day Parade & Celebration, please call 949-644-3151 or visit www.city.newport-beach.ca.us.

Fireworks Extravaganza

The possession or use of fireworks is illegal in the City of Newport. Residents and visitors who wish to view a fireworks display are encouraged to attend one of the many public shows planned throughout the area. The City is co-sponsoring a Fireworks Extravaganza with the Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort, 1131 Back Bay Drive, Newport Beach. The fireworks show will begin at 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 4, but the Dunes has planned a full-day of activities for those interested in spending the holiday by the Back Bay. The \$50 per car parking fee includes five wristbands covering a number of all-day activities. For more information, please call (949) 729-DUNE or visit www.newportdunes.com.

Beach & Pier Information

All ocean and bay front beaches are open to the public from the hours of 6 a.m. until 10 p.m. This includes the areas from the Santa Ana River Jetty to Crystal Cove Park. Crystal Cove State Park beaches close at sunset. Both residents and visitors should swim near a lifeguard tower as ocean currents and surf can be strong, shifting and dangerous.

Portable barbecues are **not allowed** on any City beaches. For those that wish to barbecue, fire rings and public barbecues are available near the Balboa Pier and at Corona del Mar State Beach from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Newport and Balboa Piers are open from 5 a.m. until midnight. Restaurants are located on both piers and their hours may vary. Public restroom facilities are available at the base of both piers.



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Newport Beach Police Department Holiday Safety Information

Street Closures

The following streets will be closed to vehicles (bikes and pedestrians will maintain access) from 12 p.m. on July 4 until the early morning of July 5:

- W. Balboa Blvd. from Pacific Coast Hwy. to 32nd Street will be closed to eastbound traffic and all numbered streets between W. Balboa and Seashore Drive.
- Seashore Drive between 32nd Street and 51st Street will be closed to all traffic.

It is recommended that residents / renters avoid attempting to leave or enter the street closure area. Due to the volume of bicycle and pedestrian traffic in the closure area, private vehicle access will be prevented. Rare exceptions, based on emergency need, may be made for those with identification proving they live in the area.

Parking

Parking will be difficult in the beach area and visitors are highly encouraged to carpool. Spaces fill up early in the morning and entering and leaving the area by vehicle becomes increasingly difficult as the day progresses. The City parking lots at City Hall and Superior Avenue will be closed from July 3 at 5 p.m. until July 5 at 7 a.m.

More than 200 uniformed officers from the Newport Beach Police Department, California Highway Patrol and several Orange County law enforcement agencies will be on duty that day and City staff will be working on road closures, extra trash pick-ups and other maintenance issues.

Please remember:

- **It is illegal in Newport Beach to possess or use fireworks**, despite their sale in nearby cities.
- Drinking alcoholic beverages in public is prohibited.
- Fines will be tripled for loud or raucous parties.
- It is illegal to throw water balloons or spray water at pedestrians or vehicles.

For more information, please call the Police Department's Public Information Line at 949-644-3696 or visit www.NBPD.org (click on "4th of July").

Specific questions inquires can be made to the Police Department's Community Relations Office 949-644-3662 or by e-mail to Sergeant Evan Sailor at ESailor@nbpd.org.