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Dear Marlboro Residents,

With graduation celebrations abounding and the 4th of July celebrations quickly approaching, the Police division would like to remind all residents and guests in the township of the following information relating to fireworks.

New Jersey's laws on fireworks, N.J.S.A. 21:2-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 21:3-1 et seq., are very restrictive. In some states, fireworks are permitted to be sold to, and used by the public. However, in New Jersey, only the following items are legal to purchase and use:

- Wire sparklers with up to 100 grams of pyrotechnic mixture each.
- Non-Explosive handheld or ground based sparkling devices with up to 75 grams of pyrotechnic composition per tube.
- Snakes and glow worms, smoke devices and trick noisemakers which include party poppers, snappers and drop pops.

The firework laws are jointly enforced by municipalities and the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development. The law states that the sale or possession of fireworks, with the intent to sell is a crime of the fourth degree. Any person found guilty of possessing fireworks with the intention of selling them can be fined up to \$7,500 and/or imprisoned up to 18 months. Any person found using fireworks illegally can be fined up to \$500 and/or imprisoned for up to 30 days.

Please enjoy a safe, happy, and healthy 4th of July Independence Day holiday.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chief PJP" followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Chief Peter J. Pezzullo