

# 4th of July Celebration – City of Abilene, Kansas

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## City Office Closure

City of Abilene offices will be closed on Friday, July 4, 2025, in observance of Independence Day. Only non-essential offices will be closed.

## Fireworks Sales and Discharge Rules

The city allows the selling of fireworks from June 30, 2025, through July 5, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

The city allows the discharge of fireworks from July 1, 2025, through July 2, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., and from July 3, 2025, through July 5, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to midnight.

## Old Fashioned Fourth of July – Eisenhower Park

The City of Abilene sponsors the following activities on July 4, 2025, in Eisenhower Park, located at 500 N Pine Street.

## Tournament Registration

- Registration occurs at the large Shelter house near the basketball courts.
- Registration opens at 7:00 a.m. and closes 15 minutes prior to event start.

## Schedule of Events:

- 7:00 a.m.
  - Tournament Registrations Begin
- 8:00 a.m.
  - Start 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament - \$20/per team
  - Start Mud Volleyball Tournament - \$30.00/per team
  - Start Cornhole Tournament - \$10/per team
  - Start Pickleball Tournament - \$10/per team
- 9:00 a.m.
  - Register for Baby Beauty at the Bandshell - \$5/child
  - Start Pedal Power Tractor Pull at the Show Barn
- 10:00 a.m.
  - Start Baby Beauty
- 11:00 a.m.
  - Frog & Turtle Races
- 11:30 a.m.
  - Hot Wheel Races
- 12:00 p.m.
  - Start Pool Activities - Pre-Registration not required
- 1:00-5:00 p.m.
  - Free Swim at Abilene Municipal Pool
- 8:00 p.m.
  - Start City Band performance at Bandshell
- 9:45 p.m.
  - Fireworks - Shot from behind the Abilene Community Center at 1020 NW 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

For questions or accommodation requests, please contact the City of Abilene Parks and Recreation office at 785-263-7266.

## Kansas State Fire Marshall Firework Safety Reminders:

- Always read and follow label instructions.
- Always purchase high quality fireworks from a reliable, legitimate source.
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix. Have a "designated shooter."
- Never give fireworks to small children.
- Adults should always supervise use of fireworks by older children.
- Always wear eye protection when lighting fireworks.
- Never ignite fireworks indoors. Make sure your outdoor area is safe for firework use.
- Never point or throw fireworks at a person, building, or animal.
- Have a source of water handy, in case of fire.
- Always shoot fireworks from a level surface.
- Never shoot fireworks in metal or glass containers.
- Light only one firework at a time.
- Never attempt to re-light malfunctioning fireworks.
- When lighting fireworks, never position any part of your body over them.
- Never carry fireworks in your pocket.
- Store fireworks in a cool, dry place.
- Never experiment with homemade fireworks. They are dangerous and illegal.

Bottle rockets and other skyrockets that are mounted on a stick or wire are illegal.

It is illegal to shoot fireworks on or under a vehicle, on any public roadway, within 50 feet of a firework stand or where fireworks are stored, and gas stations or any place liquid gas - including propane - is stored.