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Greetings Great Islanders,

Happy holiday weekend from your Fire Department! We join you in yearning for the feeling of community on display every year at the parade and appreciate everyone remaining committed to maintaining a healthy town. We are in this together and hope that next year we see a return to our Independence Day traditions.

Please take just a moment to review a few safety reminders below before celebrating and taking in the summer weather.

- Be sure to wear a mask when social distancing isn't an option or you are in close proximity to others outside your household.
- If you feel sick or exhibit any symptom known to be associated with the Coronavirus contact your healthcare provider or local emergent care center.
- Testing for the coronavirus is now widely available and free of charge in many instances. Get tested if you develop symptoms or learn that someone in close proximity to you has contracted the virus.
- Fireworks, although not prohibited by town ordinance, present a myriad of dangers not only to those displaying them but to spectators, buildings and woodlands. Homes, businesses and even boats throughout town are in very close proximity and one spark can be the difference between an enjoyable holiday and a serious loss.
- A firework that does not ignite should be left untouched for 15 minutes, sprayed with a hose and then discarded as directed by the manufacturer.
- Open burning permits are being issued in record numbers as we are all spending more time at home. If you would like to obtain a burn permit, they are available electronically by navigating to: <https://nhdfweb.sovsportsnet.net/> All regulations associated with open burning as set by the State are available for review by following the same link. Reminder: No permits are issued in Great Island Common, for the beach or in Fort Stark at any time.

Have a great fourth,

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