

ORDER PROHIBITING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF POLK COUNTY, TEXAS

WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in Polk County; and

WHEREAS, on the 10th day of June, 2025, the Commissioners Court of Polk County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Polk County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of Polk County adopts this Order prohibiting the sale or use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Polk County.

- A. A person may not sell, detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R. part. 173.100(r)(2) (10-1-86 edition), as "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins" in any portion of the unincorporated area of Polk County.
- B. This Order does not prohibit
 - 1. common fireworks, small in size classified as Class C explosives;
 - 2. large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Trans. [TEX. OCC. CODE, Chapter 2154].
- C. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is a Class C. Misdemeanor.

APPROVED THIS THE 10th DAY OF JUNE, 2025, BY THE POLK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

Sydney Murphy, County Judge

Attest.

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