

ORDINANCE NO: 532

PROHIBITING THE USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE CITY OF COLLINS, EXCEPT WITHIN CERTAIN DAYS OF EACH YEAR AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN OF THE CITY OF COLLINS, Covington County, Mississippi, as follows:

The manufacture, sale, possession or use of common fireworks in the city shall be permitted as provided by state law, specifically, Sections 45-13-1 through 45-13-15 of the Mississippi Code Annotated 1972, as amended.

- (a) Fireworks may be ignited, discharged, on July 4 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. of each year; Christmas Eve December 24th, Christmas Day, December 25th between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., New Year's Eve December 31st between the hours of 10:00a.m. and 1:00 a.m., and January 1st of each year between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., with the exception of a State/City Burn Ban in place, no fireworks will be allowed to be ignited or discharged.
- (b) The Fire Chief/ Fire Marshal shall have the authority to make the determination of the allowance/disallowance in all areas of the city.
- (c) This ordinance shall not apply to any fireworks display sponsored or supervised by the City of Collins or by any firm, organization, or entity that holds a valid license for fireworks displays from the Interstate Commerce Commission.
- (d) Individuals, entities, corporations and churches or other organizations that desire to ignite, discharge or shoot fireworks during other days that set forth herein shall be required to obtain a **Twenty-Five Dollar (\$25.00) permit** from the City of Collins for any event that is approved by the Mayor and the location be approved by the Collins Fire Chief.
- (e) This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Section 45-13-13, Section 21-19-15, and other applicable provisions of the Mississippi State Code of 1972, Annotated, as amended.
- (f) Any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined a minimum of **One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00)** and /or sentenced to serve (10) days in jail, or both, for the first offense; and shall be fined a minimum of **Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)** and/or sentenced to serve twenty (20) days in jail, or both, for the second offense; and shall be fined up to **One Thousand Dollars (1,000.00)** and/or sentenced to serve (30) days in jail, or both, for any subsequent offense. Each day such violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense.
- (g) Persons found in violation shall also be liable of any damages caused by such violation.
- (h) This Ordinance shall take force and effect as provided by law.

This ordinance shall be signed by the Mayor, certified by the City Clerk, recorded in the Ordinance Book, and placed on the City's website, and published one time in the **Newspaper**.

SO ORDAINED this the 2nd day of December 2025.

CITY OF COLLINS, MISSISSIPPI

By: HOPE MAGEE JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

SUZETTE DAVIS, CITY CLERK

CERTIFICATE

I, Suzette Davis, City Clerk in and for the City of Collins, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Ordinance was duly enacted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen of the City of Collins, Mississippi, on December 2, 2025, and is being published as required by the order of the May and Board of Aldermen.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE AND OFFICIAL SEAL on this the 2ND day of December 2025.

(SEAL)

SUZETTE DAVIS, CITY CLERK