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Thurs., July 2nd at 10 a.m.

Public Access to Esplanade for July 4 Fireworks Spectacular Event Delayed to 4 p.m.

Due to extreme heat, access to enter the Esplanade for the July 4 [Boston Pops Fireworks Spectacular](#) will now begin at 4 p.m., not 12 noon as previously announced. There is no change to the event schedule: the Pops concert still begins at 7 p.m. and ends at 9:30 p.m., following the fireworks display.

Visitors are encouraged to adjust their plans accordingly, remain in cool locations before traveling, and avoid arriving before the gates open.

Protecting the health and safety of attendees, event staff, volunteers, and first responders and providing an enjoyable event experience are our highest priorities.

The National Weather Service has issued an extreme heat forecast through Saturday. Please be advised that extreme heat especially impacts heat-sensitive individuals, and adequate hydration is essential for all.

All carried items are subject to inspection at the gates.

The following items are allowed:

- Pop-up tents/canopies with no sides – maximum size 10'x10'

- NOTE: Tents will need to be taken down at 6 p.m. to allow for better visibility.
- Blankets or tarps no bigger than 10'x 10'
- Folding/beach chairs only
- Coolers must be carried in by shoulder strap or single handle (no wheeled coolers).
- All liquids need to be in sealed clear plastic containers not to exceed 2 liters in size.

Prohibited items:

- No coolers on wheels
- No backpacks
- No firearms, weapons, sharp objects, or fireworks
- No glass containers
- All liquids need to be in sealed clear plastic containers not to exceed 2 liters in size
- No cans
- No pre-mixed beverages
- No alcoholic beverages
- No grilling, propane tanks, or open flames
- No bicycles will be allowed through the checkpoints into the Oval or Island/Lagoon areas. Bicycles are allowed throughout the rest of the venue but must not be left unattended. Bicycles attached or locked to security fences, poles, or other structures may be subject to removal.

For all other information about the Boston Pops Fireworks Spectacular event, including road closures and parking restrictions, please visit the FAQs on the event webpage: [bso.org/july_4](https://www.bso.org/july_4).

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