

FIREWORKS SAFETY TIPS



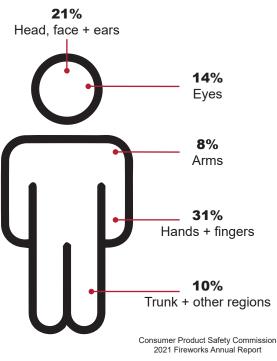
Celebrate Safely!

- Only adults should use fireworks. It is illegal for children under the age of 18 to buy, use, or be in possession of fireworks.
- Read and follow all instructions and warnings on fireworks before use.
- Alcohol should never be consumed near fireworks.
- Keep a safe distance between yourself and others when lighting fireworks. Fireworks have been known to backfire or shoot off in the wrong direction.
- Never point or throw fireworks at others even in jest.
- Do not hold fireworks in your hand or any other part of your body while lighting. Wear eye protection in case of an unexpected discharge.
- Fireworks should be used outdoors, on a smooth, flat surface away from homes, flammable materials and dry grass. Do not use or dispose of fireworks under a canopy, covered balcony, covered patio or under a tree or bushes.
- Always keep a bucket full of water and a garden hose nearby in case of emergency.
- If a firework won't light, consider it a dud and do not attempt to relight it.
- Any firework that goes up in the air or explodes is illegal and dangerous.
- Expended fireworks should be soaked in a bucket of water AWAY from any structure prior to throwing them in the trash.

There is no such thing as a harmless firework.

Even sparklers burn hot enough to cause serious burns. The unsafe use of fireworks can cause sever burns, amputations, blinding and even death.

Body Part Fireworks Injuries



Don't forget about your pets!

Fireworks can be very frightening to your pet's sensitive ears. Keep pets indoors to reduce their risk of injury and getting loose.



- Legal fireworks in California are called Safe and Sane Fireworks and must bear the State Fire Marshal's seal.
- Never attempt to make your own fireworks.

