



Ensuring A Sparkling Good (And Safe) Time

Forty-six U.S. states and the District of Columbia allow legal “consumer” fireworks for the Fourth of July. The definition of consumer fireworks varies from state to state, but can include everything from cone fountains to roman candles to multiple tube “cake” devices to sparklers. Before using fireworks, find out what’s legal in your state by checking out www.americanpyro.com and clicking on “state laws.”

If your state does allow fireworks, remember that even legal fireworks can cause injury if they’re not used properly. Follow these tips when planning your Independence Day fireworks to Keep Safe & Have Fun!

Keep Safe & Have Fun With Fireworks

- Always read and follow the directions on the label
- Have a working garden hose or bucket of water handy
- Use fireworks outdoors in a safe, flat, non-wooden area
- Always wear safety glasses when igniting fireworks
- Keep everyone a safe distance away from fireworks
- Never allow young children to handle fireworks or sparklers
- Always have a sober adult in charge of all fireworks activities
- Light only one firework at a time
- Don’t touch, throw, or combine fireworks
- Never re-light fireworks
- Never shoot fireworks in metal or glass containers
- Keep pets indoors and away from fireworks

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