

GRASS FIRE & INJURY DANGER WITH FIREWORKS

FIRE FACTS:

- FIREWORKS cause an average of nearly 18,500 reported fires per year.
- Sparklers account for roughly ONE- QUARTER (1/4) of all Emergency Room FIREWORKS injuries.

Source: www.NFPA.org/education www.NFPA.org/fireworks NFPA 2017

SAFETY TIPS:

- Be safe. If you want to see fireworks, go to a public show put on by experts.
- Keep a close eye on children at events where fireworks are used.
- ALCOHOL AND FIREWORKS DO NOT MIX!
- Dispose of spent fireworks by wetting them down and place them in a metal trash can away from buildings and combustible materials.



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MORE SAFETY TIPS:

- Wear safety glasses when shooting fireworks.
- Light one firework at a time and then quickly move away.
- Use fireworks outdoors in a clear area; away from buildings and vehicles.
- Never relight a "dud" firework. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.
- Always have a bucket of water and a charged water hose nearby.
- Obey all local laws regarding use of fireworks.
- Know your fireworks. Read cautionary labels and performance descriptions before lighting.
- Report illegal explosives, like M-80s and quarter sticks, to the police or fire department.

CALL 9-1-1 for EMERGENCIES



**REMEMBER: On the
4th of July,
FIREWORKS SAFETY
begins with YOU!**



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MILITARY VETERANS with PTSD & FIREWORKS

Did you know?

Loud, unexpected noises such as fireworks are extremely common triggers for combat veterans suffering from PTSD, because the noises can remind them of gunfire or explosions they experienced on the battlefield.

Be Courteous, Be Aware and Be Safe!

You may see this or similar sign :



LIVESTOCK & HORSES

Fireworks must not be set off near livestock or horses in fields or stables.

It is best to keep your livestock and horses in their normal routine.

Risk assess your fencing and stable to plan accordingly and limit disturbance.

Ensure you find out if there are any planned displays nearby.

Warn local organizers of livestock and horses in area.

Organize your plans in advance.

Remain calm and positive livestock and horses can sense unease in humans.

Keep your horses and livestock in familiar environment.

Safety for everyone is the key. Do not put yourself in **DANGER**.



Before you enjoy your new freedom to use fireworks, do you know how to round up livestock and fix fence?



DOMESTIC PETS & FIREWORKS