

**OFFICIAL**

**Community Safety Flash**



**Remember, Remember Celebrate Bonfire Night Safely.**

**The Firework Code**

Fireworks are explosives and potentially dangerous, so they need careful handling and storage.

- Only buy fireworks that are CE marked.
- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box.
- Follow the instructions on each firework.
- Light them at arms' length, using a taper.
- Stand well back.
- Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off it could still explode.
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them.
- Always supervise children around fireworks.
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
- Never give sparklers to a child under five.
- Keep pets indoors.
- Don't set off noisy fireworks late at night and never after 11pm.



**Sparkler safety tips**

- These are often viewed as harmless but they do burn at fierce temperatures and can easily cause injuries.
- Light sparklers one at a time.
- Supervise children with sparklers and never give them to children under five.
- Make sure everyone handling sparklers wears gloves.
- Hold sparklers at arm's length while being lit.
- Don't wave sparklers about close to other people.
- Never hold a baby in your arms while you are holding a sparkler.
- When you have finished with the sparkler put it in a bucket of cold water.

