



# Fireworks Safety

## Bonfire safety

If you're planning on having a bonfire, ensure you make it as safe as possible for you and your family by following this advice:



- Build your bonfire well clear of buildings, garden sheds, fences, trees and hedges. Make sure you have a bucket of water or garden hose nearby
- Only burn dry materials and never use flammable liquids or accelerants
- Never leave the bonfire unattended
- Keep your loved ones well away from the bonfire
- Candles and Lanterns

## Fireworks

If you are purchasing your own fireworks this year, make sure you make your own fireworks display as safe as possible:



- Ensure they are marked with the British Standard safety number 7114 or the CE safety mark - A reputable retailer will sell fireworks that comply with this standard.
- Keep your fireworks in a closed box or tin and out of reach of children.
- Light fireworks at arm's length and make sure everyone stands well back.
- Never return to a lit firework: if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode!

## Sparkler Safety

Sparklers are a fun way for children to enjoy firework celebrations but they can cause injuries if not used safely:



- Always supervise children when using sparklers and follow the instructions on the packaging
- Light sparklers one at a time
- Ensure children are wearing gloves and keeping their sparklers at arm's length
- You could even put the sparkler in the end of a carrot, making it even safer to hold!
- Keep a bucket of water nearby to put sparklers in after use

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