



Firework Safety

The 4th of July brings families to BBQ's, community events, and an evening of fireworks. Many cities throughout Los Angeles County have banned fireworks due to their danger. *Remember fireworks are-explosives!*

Every year innocent children sustain 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree burns, loss of hearing, and blindness from what begins as a holiday celebration. This 4th of July, avoid the dark and painful side to fireworks - visit a *professional fireworks show near you* by calling 1-888-654-FIRE or visit www.safejuly4th.org



For a fun and safe 4th of July, visit a professional fireworks show. Contact your local chamber of commerce or fire department for a show near you.

Why leave "fireworks" to the professionals?

- Most firework-related injuries happen to preteens and teens
 - Children aged 10-14 are 3-times more likely to be injured than the general population
 - Children aged 5 to 9 and teens ages 15-19 have more than double the average rates of firework related injuries
- 31% of injuries to Hands & Fingers are from firecrackers
- 21% of injuries to Eyes, and Hands & Fingers are from Sky Rockets
- A special note about sparklers: **Sparklers burn up to 1200 degrees** at the end of the stick. Almost 50% of all sparkler-related injuries are among toddlers aged 0-4. Most are due to burns from other children, holding the stick improperly and catching clothing on fire. *Significant burns to Hands/Fingers, Legs, & Eyes*

Find a free firework event near you

Remember July 4th is a day of celebration of our Independence and there is likely a "free" community fireworks display in your community. Many are at parks, schools, stadiums, and beaches. Many of these also include music, parades, picnics, and food that begin early in the day with fireworks at night.

For a firework show and celebration in your community call your City Chamber of Commerce or 1-888-654-FIRE or visit www.safejuly4th.org



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