

How to stay safe during fireworks displays on Fourth of July

Fireworks displays on the Fourth of July are dazzling, but they can also be dangerous.

Here are five fireworks safety tips from Patient First Medical Center:

- Sparklers cause most fireworks injuries because they burn at high temperatures and can cause severe burns. Don't give sparklers to small children and get rid of burned out sparklers by placing them in a bucket of water.
- Stay away from ground-based "sparkler" devices. If one fails to go off as expected, douse the device with water before approaching it.
- Remembering to keep your distance is important at public fireworks displays. Don't get too close to the launch site, just in case something goes wrong.
- Don't pick up fireworks debris at the July 4th displays.
- Fireworks and alcohol never mix.