

The Firework Code

FOR KIDS

- Safety Sam loves fireworks night. To make sure he stays safe every year, he always follows the **fireworks code**.
- Never give sparklers to your younger brothers, sisters or friends. You should be five or more years old and make sure your parents or an adult is watching you.
- Only adults should touch fireworks.
- Fireworks will scare your pets, so keep them safe indoors.
- If you are given a sparkler, always wear gloves. Always hold sparklers at arm's length.
- When a sparkler goes out, **DON'T TOUCH IT**. It could still burn you, so put it in a bucket of water, hot end down.
- When you are watching fireworks, always stand well back.
- Never go near a firework when it has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode.
- Never put fireworks in you pocket or throw them.
- You have to be 18 years old before you are allowed to buy fireworks in the shops. **Never play with fireworks. They are dangerous and can hurt you.**



Finally, more advice and help is available. Give us a call. If you have any doubts – leave it to the professionals and go to an organised event.

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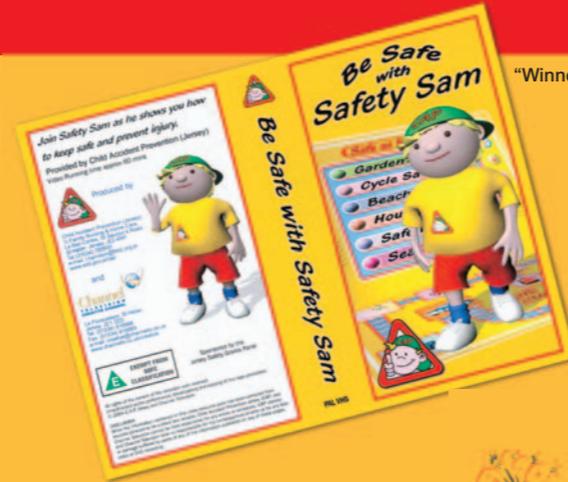
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Safety Sam



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Keep you and your kids safe on fireworks night

- Fireworks are safe if you use them properly. If you're putting on a home display, you should follow some simple steps to make sure that everyone has a good time without getting hurt.
- We want children to enjoy fireworks but they need to know that they can be dangerous if they are not used properly. Over half of all firework injuries are suffered by children.
- **Do you know where your kids are on fireworks night?**

The Golden Rules

- Never give sparklers to children under five.
- Always supervise children near fireworks.
- Don't drink alcohol if you are setting off fireworks.



Remember to put your sparkler hot end down in a bucket of sand or water as soon as it has gone out!



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FOR ADULTS

- Only buy fireworks from a reputable trader and make sure they are marked BS 7114 on the box.
- There are different categories of fireworks. Only buy categories 1 to 3. Choose the right category of firework for the size of your garden.
- Only one person should be in charge of the fireworks. That way you can make sure you take all the necessary precautions.
- Don't drink alcohol until all the fireworks have been discharged.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box and read the instructions before the event in the daylight.



- Follow the instructions on each firework carefully. Take particular notice of the safe viewing distances.
- Make sure you have a torch, bucket of water, eye protection, gloves, soft earth and suitable supports if you are setting off Catherine wheels or rockets.
- Light them at arm's length, using a taper - Never use matches or lighters.
- 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.
- Think about your neighbours – don't set off noisy fireworks late at night.

