

Loss and Prevention Control: Safety Minute

4th of July Fireworks Safety - One of our traditions is to watch fireworks displays or shoot them off ourselves. Fireworks-related injuries treated in U.S. hospital emergency rooms continue to occur. The highest injury rates were for children aged 10 to 14. 75% of all injured were male. Most fireworks injuries involve burns, but there were also contusions, lacerations and other types of injuries. Let's look at some safety precautions if you're around fireworks:

Be Prepared, before you light fireworks:

- Use legal fireworks, available at licensed outlets.
- Store fireworks out of children's reach.
- Keep pets safe indoors.
- Always keep water handy.

Be Safe, when lighting fireworks:

- Only adults should light fireworks.
- Only use outdoors.
- Do not throw fireworks or hold in your hand.
- Protect your eyes.
- Light one firework at a time and move away quickly.
- Never relight a "dud".

Be Responsible after you finish:

- Soak used fireworks in water.
- Be considerate--clean up used fireworks.
- Keep matches and lighters away from children.

HAVE A SAFE AND FUN FOURTH OF JULY!

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