



OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL

4TH OF JULY SAFETY BULLETIN

FIREWORKS SAFETY STARTS WITH YOU!

Non-aerial common fireworks may be legal, but they are not without risk. Each year, fires and injuries occur due to improper use or disposal. Follow these tips to celebrate safely.

Legal Use Guidelines

ONLY non-aerial fireworks are allowed within the Star Fire Protection District. The use of aerial fireworks is prohibited in the State of Idaho.

Permitted Dates: June 23 – July 5

Local noise ordinances must be followed. Excessive noise complaints may result in enforcement action.

Safe Use Tips

- Read Instructions: Always follow the manufacturer's directions.
- Supervise Children: Fireworks should only be used by adults or under close adult supervision.
- Use Outdoors Only: Keep fireworks away from dry grass, buildings, and vehicles.
- Clear Area: Maintain a 10-foot safety zone free of combustibles.
- Have Water Ready: Keep a hose or bucket nearby.
- Do Not Relight Duds: Wait 15 minutes, then soak in water.

Proper Disposal

After the fun, **safe disposal** is key to preventing fires:

1. Douse Used Fireworks in a bucket of water until fully soaked.
2. Double Bag Wet Fireworks in plastic bags.
3. Place in Outdoor Trash Bin — never indoors or near the home.
4. NEVER attempt to modify or relight fireworks.

Prohibited Actions

- Do **not** use fireworks in parks, on roadways, or near open fields.
- Do **not** shoot fireworks at people, pets, vehicles, or buildings.
- Do **not** use aerial or illegal fireworks – fines and enforcement apply.

Be a Good Neighbor

- Notify neighbors, especially those with pets, of your plans.
- Limit use to appropriate hours to reduce noise complaints.

Report Concerns or Emergencies

- **Fire or Injury:** Dial **911 immediately**
- **Illegal Fireworks:** Contact non-emergency dispatch at
 - Ada County Non-Emergency (208) 377-6790
 - Canyon County Non-Emergency (208) 454-7531
 - Gem County Non-Emergency (208) 365-3521