Further Information

www.firekills.gov.uk

National Fire Safety site.

www.fire.org.uk

Source for fire-related information.

www.arsonpreventionbureau.org.uk

This site is designed to provide information on arson and measures that you can take to protect yourself.

www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk

Section on healthy living addresses fire and home safety.

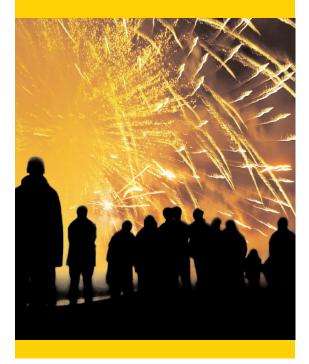
www.welephant.co.uk

Site of the National Fire Safety Charity for Children.

www.csef.net

Registered charity that provides safety educational resources for children and young people.

(Examples: 'Red Alert', 'Deedee and Dennis the Dragon' and 'Be-right Spark'.)



Bonfire Safety Shopping List:



Only buy Fireworks with the BS 7114 Kitemark.



It is illegal to sell fireworks or sparklers to anyone under 18 years old.



Do not let fireworks off in a public place, it is illegal with a fine of up to £5,000.





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Safety Tips to help protect your child on Bonfire Night



Every year hundreds of young people are injured by fireworks

Safety Rules



Stand well back

Never cross the safety barrier tape - it is there to keep you at a safe distance to ensure your safety. If you see other people crossing the barrier or tampering with it - tell somebody.



Never play with fireworks

Fireworks can be so exciting and fun but they can also be extremely dangerous and potentially fatal if handled in the wrong way.



Keep pets indoors

Most animals get very scared by the lights and noise, so you should take precautions to protect your pets during the times of the year when fireworks are likely to be set off. Try to keep them inside for their own safety.





Top 10 tips for keeping safe on Bonfire Night

- 1 Do not build a bonfire too high and make sure it is built in an open space. Take care not build it too close to houses, fences, hedges, sheds or anything that can catch fire. Where possible try to attend an organised display and keep a safe distance to ensure your safety.
- 2 Never light a bonfire with petrol, paraffin or other flammable liquids. Use domestic fire lighters and do not throw aerosol cans or tyres onto a fire.
- 3 Keep a bucket of water and a hosepipe by the bonfire in case of emergencies. Used fireworks and sparklers can be placed into the bucket for safety.
- 4 Only buy fireworks marked with the BS7114 kitemark. Never put fireworks or sparklers in your pocket. Store them in a cool, dry box and always close the lid. Fireworks should not be sold to any person under the age of 18.
- 5 Follow the instructions on each firework, but remember to use a torch and not the light of a flame to read them. Use a taper to light the fireworks at arms length and stand well back from them. Always supervise children around fireworks.

- 6 Never go near a firework that has been lit.

 Even if it has not gone off, it could still explode.

 Never throw discarded fireworks onto bonfires, they may still have gunpowder left in them and will only result in accidents.
- 7 Never give sparklers to a child under five.
 Only light one sparkler at a time and teach
 children to stand still and hold them at arm's
 length and not to wave them too close to anyone.
- 8 When a sparkler goes out, do not touch it.
 It could still burn you, put the hot end down in a bucket of water.
- Make sure children are not wearing loose clothing, as they may catch fire. Always make sure children wear gloves.
- 10 Keep pets indoors to keep them safe, fire and the loud noises of fireworks will only scare them. Check before lighting a bonfire that there are no animals hiding inside.