

2014 Fireworks Safety Tips

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Last year (2013), Consumer Products Safety Commission (CSPC) received reports of six men who were killed by professional-grade, homemade or banned firework devices.



Number of Emergency Room Related Injuries

2011

2012 8,700

2013 8,700

"On Independence Day in a typical year, fireworks account for two out of five of all reported fires, more than any other cause of fire." -NFPA

Tips for Safe Play

-Always store fireworks in a cool, dry place. -Always buy fireworks from an authorized seller.

-Know the laws and ordinances in your neighborhood, county, and state before igniting fireworks.

-Provide adult supervision to children. In 2011, 26% of the victims of a fireworks injury were under 15 years old.

-Do not light fireworks near dry grass or shrubs.

-Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose nearby.

Fire Hazard

In 2011, fireworks caused an estimated 17,800 reported fires.

400 Vehicle Fires

1,200 Structure Fires

16,300 Outside/Other Fires

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