243 people on average go to the emergency room every day with fireworks-related injuries in the month around the July 4th holiday.

Fireworks Safety Tips

- Never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks.
- Make sure fireworks are legal in your area before buying or using them.
- Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose handy in case of fire or other mishap.
- Light fireworks one at a time, then move back quickly.
- Never try to re-light or pick up fireworks that have not ignited fully.


Injuries by Fireworks Type*

- 12% Sparklers
- 11% Firecrackers
- 6% Roman Candles
- 5% Bottle Rockets
- 3% Novelties
- 2% Reloadable Shells
- 2% Public Display Fireworks
- 1% Homemade Fireworks
- 56% Unspecified

Injuries by Age

- 14% 0-4
- 11% 10-14
- 8% 20-24
- 7% 45-64
- 11% 5-9
- 13% 15-19
- 34% 25-44
- 1% 65+

*ED treated injuries during the Special Study period June 21 - July 21, 2019