

## **Chambers County Fire Marshal Fireworks Safety Tips**



- · Buy fireworks only from licensed retail outlets;
- Follow directions carefully with close adult supervision;
- Never experiment with homemade or altered fireworks;
- Use fireworks outdoors, in a safe area away from dry grass and buildings;
- Before you enjoy fireworks, get permission from the property owner;
- Spectators should keep a safe distance from the shooter and the shooter should wear safety glasses;
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix. Have a "designated shooter";
- Keep something nearby to extinguish a fire -- a bucket of water, wet towels, or a garden hose;
- Light one firework at a time then move back quickly!
- Never shoot fireworks while holding, or from metal or glass containers;
- Never carry fireworks in your pocket;
- Never relight a "dud" firework. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water;
- Remember, what goes up must come down! Know that your fireworks are landing in a safe place;
- Never point or throw fireworks at people or animals; and
- Check laws of local jurisdictions concerning fireworks. Currently, the cities of Anahuac, Baytown, Mont Belvieu, and Old River-Winfree have ordinances prohibiting fireworks within their city limits.

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