



FIREWORKS

SAFETY

The City of Rancho Cordova encourages its residents to be safe when using fireworks this Fourth of July season. While the recent rains have helped to alleviate the drought, yards and vegetation have dried out and grown significantly. As a result, the City encourages you to cut your yards more frequently to reduce fire hazards.

The Sacramento Metropolitan Fire Department wants you to remember that fireworks safety is a must. Severe burns, amputations, blinding and even deaths are often the result of Fourth of July celebrations. Many fires will be caused when unsupervised children use fireworks. Parents are liable for any damage or injuries caused by their children using fireworks.

In addition, the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District recommends the following tips for Safe and Sane Fireworks use:

- All legal fireworks in California are called Safe and Sane Fireworks.
- All Safe and Sane Fireworks must bear the State Fire Marshal's seal.
- Have an adult present when Safe and Sane fireworks are to be used by children.
- Safe and Sane Fireworks may be sold only from June 28 to July 6. In Rancho Cordova, use of fireworks is allowed between noon on June 28, 2016 and 10 p.m. on July 4, 2016.
- Always have a bucket of water to dispose of fireworks.
- Always have a hose connected to water available in case of fire.
- It is illegal to sell, give, or deliver dangerous fireworks to anyone under 18 years of age.
- It is illegal to point or throw a dangerous firework into a crowd or at people.
- The sale or transfer of Safe and Sane Fireworks may only occur at a fixed place of business which is licensed and permitted to sell Safe and Sane Fireworks.
- If fireworks explode or leave the ground, it is illegal in California.
- Do not use fireworks near dry grass or other flammable materials.
- Do not use fireworks while under a canopy, covered balcony, covered patio or under a tree or bushes.
- Never attempt to relight or "fix" fireworks.
- In many communities, the sale and use of Safe and Sane Fireworks may be prohibited. Be aware of your local laws. Failure to comply may result in confiscation, citation and prosecution.

The use of illegal fireworks is prohibited by law. If you suspect the use of illegal fireworks, you can report these to the Rancho Cordova Police Department at 916.362.5111.