Fourth Of July Fireworks Safety Checklist!

Independence Day is just a few days away and we know how much you're itching to go out and set off some fireworks! However, we here at Firestone Pediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics want you to be safe while you're having fun!



Below is a list of some firework safety measures to make sure that everyone has a safe holiday:

- [ ] The safest way to watch fireworks is away from home. Attend a public fireworks display and leave the fireworks to the professionals!
- [ ] If you do choose to do fireworks at home, make sure you're using fireworks that are legal in your area.
- [ ] Closely supervise children at all times. Never leave children alone with lighters or fireworks.
- [ ] Consider leaving the sparklers out this year. Sparklers burn at up to 2,000 degrees (that's as hot as a blowtorch)! Instead, supply young children with confetti poppers or glow sticks. They're just as fun and much less deadly.
- [ ] Never light fireworks near dry grass and never point fireworks towards leaves, brush, homes, or other people.
- [ ] Wear tight-fitting clothes while lighting fireworks. Loose fitting clothing may catch fire too easily.
- [ ] If you encounter a dud firework, don't attempt to relight it or stand over it. Wait 30 minutes for the firework to cool down and then soak it in water.
- [ ] Be sure to have a hose, a fire extinguisher, or a water bucket nearby at all times, just in case.

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