

Stay Safe on Independence Day

4th of July Safety Tips



Fireworks: Never disassemble fireworks. Don't try to make your own fireworks. Don't light multiple fireworks at once. Don't allow young children to handle fireworks.

Fireworks: Don't point fireworks at people, especially while being lit. Only light fireworks on the ground and in areas that are fire resistant. Keep a water hose nearby.

Sun: Use sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher. Apply it generously throughout the day. Wear a hat and sunglasses. Drink lots of water and stay hydrated.

Food: Wash your hands before handling food and after handling raw meat or poultry. Cook foods thoroughly. Refrigerate all perishable foods within 2 hours.

Grilling: Check gas grill hoses for cracks, holes, and leaks. Gas leaks, blocked tubes, and propane tanks can cause grill fires and explosions. Keep children away from grills. Never grill indoors, in the garage, or other enclosed areas. Keep grill at least 2 feet away from decks, siding, tree branches, or other equipment.

Traveling: Don't Drink and drive or travel with someone who has been drinking. Wear your seatbelt at all times. Make sure your vehicle has been serviced before a long road trip. Familiarize yourself with your surroundings and know where the nearest exit is in case of an emergency.

Boats/Swimming: Review safe boating practices. Never consume alcohol while driving a boat. Before boating, ensure there enough life preservers for every passenger. Set water safety rules for your family. Always swim with a buddy. Don't let children swim without a supervising adult. Keep a first aid kit nearby.