

# FIREWORK SAFETY



Essex County  
Fire & Rescue Service

# FIREWORKS CODE CARE, CELEBRATE



- You must be 18 years or over to buy and set off fireworks
- Only buy fireworks marked BS 7114
- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks
- Keep fireworks in a closed non-flammable box
- Follow the instructions on each firework
- Light them at arm's length, using a taper
- Stand well back and keep a bucket of water nearby
- Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves
- Always supervise children around fireworks
- Never give sparklers to a child under five
- Keep pets indoors
- Don't set off noisy fireworks late and never after 11pm

**We always recommend attending an organised fireworks display**