

4th of July Fireworks Safety Tips

The City of Santa Fe Springs would like to remind the community of the following City Rules & Regulations and provide Safety Tips to ensure that everyone has a safe and enjoyable Independence Day.

City Rules & Regulations:

- Only “Safe & Sane” fireworks containing the U.S. Fire Marshal seal of approval may be sold, purchased and discharged in the City.
- Fireworks may only be sold and discharged during the period beginning 12:00 P.M. on June 30th, ending at 12:00 A.M. on July 5th.
- It is illegal to possess or discharge fireworks on City property, including City parks.
- Citations will be issued to those who possess, discharge or distribute illegal fireworks. Violators are subject to fines of \$1,000 for each violation.

Safety Tips When Using “Safe & Sane” Fireworks:

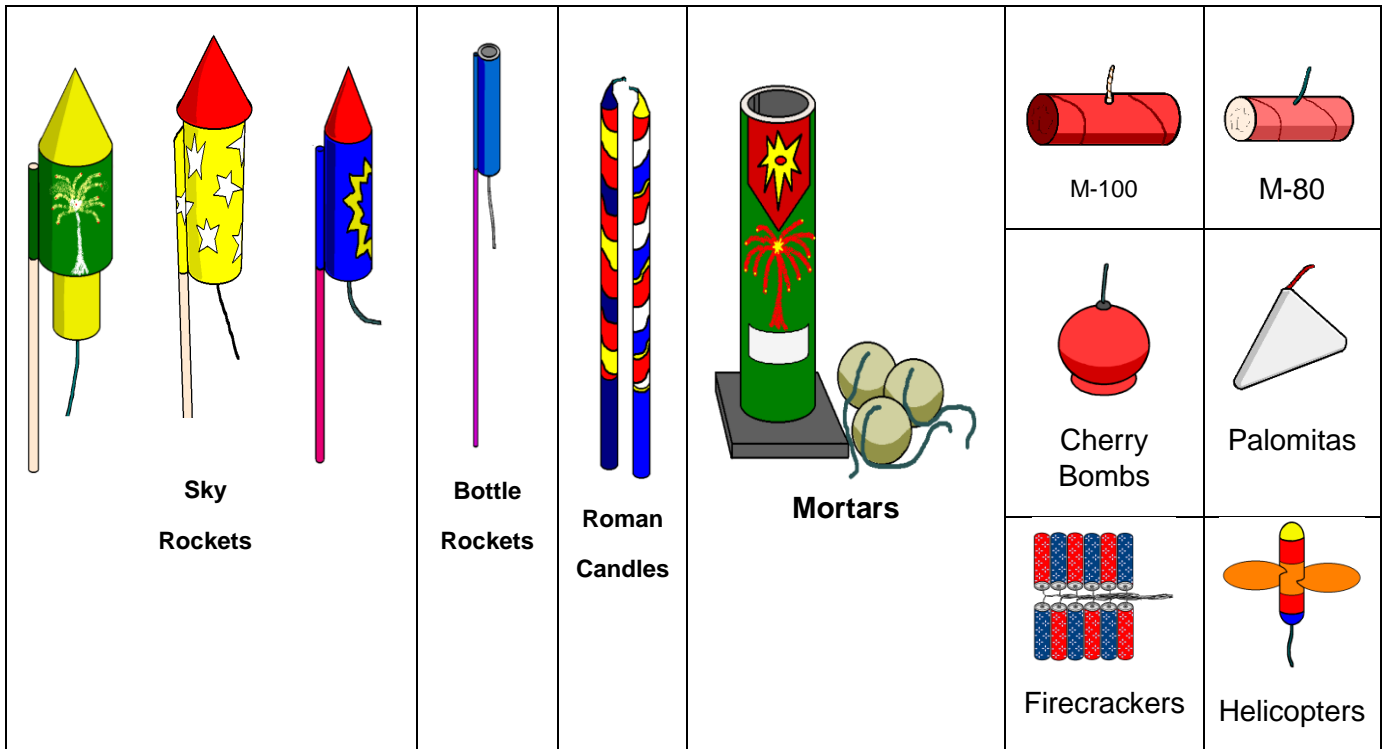


- Do not modify any fireworks. Fireworks modification can result in serious injuries.
- Always read directions and use common sense.
- Keep fireworks at a safe distance and away from brush, leaves and flammable substances.
- Fireworks should be discharged from a hard surface such as concrete, gravel or pavement.
- Avoid using fireworks near structures, vehicles and areas of dry vegetation.
- Adult supervision is vital anytime fireworks are being ignited.
- Don't allow children to pick up left over pieces of fireworks.

Some may still be ignited and can explode at any time.

- Do not attempt to re-light or fix malfunctioning fireworks.
- Soak all fireworks in a bucket of water before throwing them in the trash can.
- Think about your pet. Animals have sensitive ears and can be extremely frightened or stressed due to the noise. Keep pets indoors to reduce the risk that they'll run loose or get injured.
- We would like to remind residents to do their part by removing left over trash from discharged fireworks. By taking these precautionary measures, residents can help keep pollutants out of the storm drain system.

Illegal Fireworks: Any fireworks not approved and labeled “Safe and Sane” by the State Fire Marshal is considered illegal in California. **The Following are all illegal types of fireworks and are prohibited.**



THE CITY HAS A “ZERO TOLERANCE” POLICY FOR DISCHARGING ILLEGAL FIREWORKS. Violators in possession of, discharging or distributing illegal fireworks are subject to fines of \$1,000.00.

Independence Day is meant to be enjoyed and celebrated responsibly. If you have any questions or need to obtain more information, please contact the Police Services Center at 562-409-1850. To report illegal fireworks activity, contact the Whittier Police Department at 562-567-9240.