



City of Paso Robles
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All Fireworks Prohibited in Paso Robles

PASO ROBLES, CA – Paso Robles Fire and Emergency Services would like to remind residents that all fireworks including “Safe and Sane” are prohibited in the City of Paso Robles.

It’s that time when Americans everywhere will celebrate the Fourth of July holiday with family, friends, and fireworks. “While it is a great American tradition to enjoy fireworks around the Fourth of July, it is important to remember that all fireworks, even sparklers, pose dangers. The safest way to view fireworks is to watch professional displays,” said U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission Chair Alex Hoehn-Saric.

A report by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) finds a significant upward trend in fireworks-related injuries. For 2023, CPSC received reports of eight deaths and an estimated 9,700 injuries involving fireworks. Out of the eight deaths, five were associated with firework misuse, two with a device malfunction, and one involved unknown circumstances.

This year the City of Paso Robles is increasing our enforcement. Paso Robles Police officers and firefighters will be using aerial device technology with GPS and video capabilities to help us pinpoint the location where fireworks are being used. Citations of up to \$1000 will be issued to those caught setting off fireworks.

Please help us by celebrating this 4th of July without using consumer fireworks. The City of Paso Robles, along with Travel Paso and private sponsors, is hosting a free 4th of July Celebration at Barney Schwartz Park from 2 PM – 10 PM.



United States
Consumer Product Safety Commission

Fireworks Injuries & Deaths

2023 REPORT

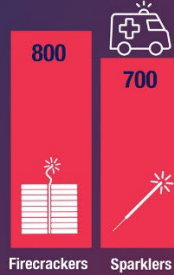
#CelebrateSafely

Safety Tips

- ★ Never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks, including sparklers.
- ★ Make sure fireworks are legal in your area before buying or using them.
- ★ Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose handy in case of fire or other mishap.
- ★ Light fireworks one at a time, then move back quickly.
- ★ Never try to re-light or pick up fireworks that have not ignited fully.
- ★ Never use fireworks while impaired by alcohol or drugs.
- ★ More Fireworks Safety Tips: [cpsc.gov/fireworks](https://www.cpsc.gov/fireworks)

How & When Injuries Occurred

2023 Injuries
by Firework Type



66%

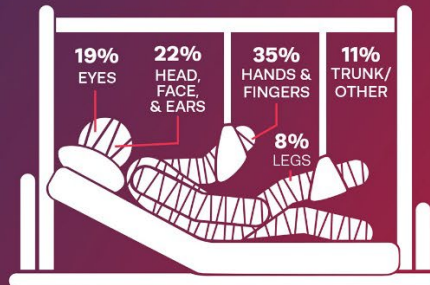
of injuries occurred
in the weeks before &
after the July 4th holiday



Most Injured Body Parts



42% of the injuries were
burns



Injuries & Deaths



9,700

people were
treated in ERs
for fireworks injuries in 2023

8 Deaths

from Fireworks in 2023



Source: U.S. Consumer Product Safety
Commission 2023 Fireworks Annual Report



<https://www.multivu.com/players/English/9275751-cpsc-fireworks-injuries-trend-upwards/#lg=2&slide=0>

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