# **FIREWORKS USE AND SAFETY**

### WHAT TYPES OF FIREWORKS ARE LEGAL IN ARIZONA?

#### Legal Consumer Fireworks:

Ground and handheld sparkling devices Cone or Cylindrical fountains Illuminating torches Wheels Ground Spinners Flitter sparklers Toy Smoke Devices Wire sparklers or dipped sticks

#### Illegal Consumer Fireworks:

**ALL** Aerial and Exploding Fireworks are **ILLEGAL** in Arizona and subject to confiscation or citation. Some examples are sky or bottle rockets, firecrackers, and aerial fireworks.

#### Fireworks Usage

Under Arizona law, firework usage is permitted on 27 days of the year, around specified holidays. This does not apply to novelty items such as cone/cylindrical fountains, party poppers, toy smoke devices, and sparklers. Legal consumer fireworks are allowed only between the following dates:

May 4 - May 6 June 24 - July 6 December 24 - January 3

Legal consumer fireworks may be sold by authorized stores or vendors between the following dates:

April 25 - May 6 May 20 - July 6 December 10 - January 3

Please refer to your city or town code for specific rules and regulations, as other use restrictions may apply. For additional information, please see the <u>Arizona State Law</u> <u>related to consumer fireworks</u>.

## **DANGERS OF FIREWORKS**

Fireworks are often used to mark special events and holidays. It is important to know that fireworks are not safe in the hands of consumers. Despite the dangers of fireworks, few people understand the associated risks – devastating burns, other injuries, fires, and even death.

# Here are a few ideas to get into the patriotic spirit without fireworks:

- Use glow sticks; they glow in the dark and are a safe alternative to a sparkler. Fun for all ages.
- Loud and proud. Noisemakers are sure to make a statement. They can be found at local party supply stores or make your own.
- Outdoor movie night. Set up a screen and projector. Don't forget the bug spray!
- Red, white, and blue silly string...fun for all ages.
- Make a patriotic craft with the family.
- Throw a birthday party for the USA, and don't forget the cake.