



# FIREWORKS SAFETY



**PRACTICE THESE FOUR POINTS AND HAVE A GREAT TIME**

## BE AWARE:

- USE ONLY LEGAL FIREWORKS
- ONLY USE FIREWORKS IN APPROVED AREAS
- CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL AUTHORITIES
- FIREWORKS ARE **PROHIBITED** IN BALTIMORE CITY, MONTGOMERY, PRINCE GEORGE'S, HARFORD, and HOWARD COUNTIES as well as OCEAN CITY



## BE SAFE:

- ONLY ADULTS SHALL LIGHT FIREWORKS
- KEEP IGNITION SOURCES AWAY FROM CHILDREN
- USE FIREWORKS ONLY OUTDOORS
- LIGHT ONLY ONE FIREWORK AT A TIME & MOVE QUICKLY AWAY FROM THE FIREWORK
- KEEP CHILDREN AND PETS AWAY FROM FIREWORKS
- NEVER LIGHT FIREWORKS IN YOUR HAND
- NEVER THROW FIREWORKS

## BE RESPONSIBLE:

- SOAK USED FIREWORKS IN A BUCKET OF WATER
- CLEAN UP DEBRIS FROM FIREWORKS
- NEVER ATTEMPT TO RE-LIGHT A FIREWORK THAT DID NOT GO OFF
- WAIT 15-20 MINUTES IF A FIREWORK DID NOT GO OFF THEN SOAK IN A BUCKET OF WATER



## BE PREPARED:

- STORE FIREWORKS OUT OF CHILDREN'S REACH
- ALWAYS READ AND FOLLOW LABEL DIRECTIONS
- ALWAYS HAVE GARDEN HOSE OR BUCKETS OF WATER IN THE AREA OF WHERE FIREWORKS ARE BEING USED
- PLACE PETS INDOORS SINCE THE LIGHT AND SOUNDS FRIGHTEN THEM

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE MARYLAND STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE AT **1-800-525-3124** OR

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