Summer Safety Tips: Fireworks

Fireworks are a staple of many summer celebrations, but remember to take precautions to ensure your special event is safe and accident-free. When using fireworks, always plan carefully in advance for who will shoot them and what safety precautions you will have in place. Here are some suggestions to ensure safety and avoid accidents:

Use fireworks and sparklers outdoors only.

Never try to relight a dud (a firework that didn't properly ignite).

Wear safety goggles when handling or shooting off fireworks.

Never give sparklers to young children.

Always have a hose or water bucket handy.

Soak all firework debris in water before throwing it away.

Don't carry fireworks in your pocket or shoot them from metal or glass containers.

Keep spectators a safe distance away.